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D.C. Security Funds Slashed

Cities hit on Sept. 11 see huge cuts in counterterror money

WASHINGTON | The two cities targeted in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks will receive far less counterterrorism money this year in what the Homeland Security Department described Wednesday as a need to spread funding to other communities facing threats.

Officials noted a \$119 million cut in the total funds available for the 2006 fiscal year from last year. In all, 46 cities will share \$710 million in Homeland Security grants to prevent and respond to terror attacks and, to

a lesser extent, other catastrophic disasters like hurricanes.

The money generally pays for training and equipment for emergency first responders.

Homeland Security assistant secretary Tracy A. Henke said biggest share of the dollars still will go to the nation's largest cities, with New York City winning the biggest share — \$124 million, down from \$207 million in 2005.

The national capital region will receive



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\$46 million, compared to \$77.5 last year.

D.C. Mayor Anthony A. Williams condemned the reduction as "short-sighted."

"I firmly believe that this area could be attacked again at any time, and now is not the time to back off on our efforts to train first responders, prepare our hospitals or harden our defenses," Williams said in a statement. LARA JAKES JORDAN (AP)

They're Off and Spelling at National Bee



S-P-O-T-L-I-G-H-T: Biko Malachi McMillan of St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, takes his turn during the first day of the annual National Spelling Bee in Washington on Wednesday. The competition continues Thursday with the winner to be crowned for the first time in prime time on national television.

MORBID OBESITY | Whoa, Doggie Animal rescuers in Maricopa County, Ariz., have put an extremely obese dog on a healthy diet after taking it away from owners who fed it mostly beer and doughnuts, the Press Association reported. "Sessa"



weighed three times as much as her ideal normal weight and was so fat she couldn't even stand, officials said. "This is quite unique to have a dog that cannot get up," said a Humane Society official. (EXPRESS) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

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PRESENTATION

Also, I Refuse to Obey Traffic Signs in That Font

A Leeds, England, man had a speeding ticket thrown out in court by arguing that the speed-limit signs were the wrong color, the Mirror reported. Trevor Faulkner was clocked doing 43 mph in a 30-mph zone. But the signs were yellow instead of the normal white color, Faulkner argued, making them not legally binding. The magistrates dropped the case. "The sign did not meet the requirements of an enforceable speed limit," police said. (EXPRESS)



SURVEILLANCE

Nope, No Criminals in Your Bedroom Today

A Welling, England, couple has complained to the government because a surveillance camera can see into their bedroom, Newsquest News Service reported. John Powell told the council

he has to take his fiancée into another room to have sex because the camera aims directly through their windows. "I've probably flashed my backside to CCTV control rooms across the entire borough," Powell said. "I never get changed in my bedroom and when my fiancée comes round we have to go to the back bedroom." (EXPRESS)

PENALTIES

Missing the Points

An Oldham, England, man was sent to jail for helping 50 drivers avoid points on their licenses by taking the

blame for their infractions that were caught on traffic cameras, the Oldham Advertiser reported. Jeffrey Scott, who is banned from driving, spent the past six months being paid to claim he was driving other people's cars while they

SPECIES

Cave Reviews

Matan Avital, an 18-year-old volunteer cave explorer who was the first to see this blind species of scorpion, inspected the creature on the campus of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem on Wednesday. University researchers announced the discovery of eight previously unknown ancient animal species, including this creature, in the waters of a cave that extends to a depth of 328 feet beneath the surface of a quarry in the vicinity of Ramle.

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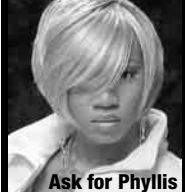
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—Hillary Clinton, kicking off her Senate re-election campaign in Buffalo, N.Y.



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In Brief

WASHINGTON

VA Data Breach Goes Beyond Initial Reports

Personal information on 26.5 million veterans that was stolen from a Veterans Affairs employee this month not only included Social Security numbers and birthdates but in many cases phone numbers and addresses, internal documents show. Memos show a file with 6,744 records pertaining to "mustard gas veterans" was also stolen. (AP)

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

Attorney Found Alive in Motel After Abduction at Gunpoint

A family law attorney was found Wednesday about nine hours after she was abducted at gunpoint from a parking lot and police arrested a man suspected in the kidnapping, officials said. Lt. Henry Irby said Sandra Eubank Gregory, 34, was found in a motel a few miles from where she was abducted. Irby said Gregory was "reportedly all right." (AP)

LOS ANGELES

Elderly Women Charged in Life Insurance Fraud Scheme

A federal grand jury indicted two elderly women accused of befriending transient men and then collecting on life insurance policies worth \$2.3 million after the men died in hit-and-run crashes. Golay, 75, and Olga Rutterschmidt, 73, were indicted Tuesday on nine counts each of mail fraud and related charges for making false insurance claims. (AP)

Iran Skeptical of U.S. Offer for Talks

Bush administration will join negotiations on nukes in policy shift

WASHINGTON | The United States said Wednesday it would join in face-to-face talks with Iran over its disputed nuclear program if Tehran first agreed to put challenged atomic activities on hold, a shift in tactics meant to offer the Iranians a last chance to avoid punishing sanctions.

Iran dismissed the offer as "a propaganda move."

Before leaving for meetings in Europe on Iran, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said that while the U.S. was willing to join talks between European nations and Iran, it was also helping to prepare a package of sanctions that Tehran could face should it decline the new offer. "We're prepared to go either way," she said.

At the White House, President Bush said, "I believe that it's important that we solve this issue diplomatically, and my decision today says that the United States is going to take a leadership position in solving this issue."

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The overture to join stalled European talks came after mounting pressure on the U.S. from European allies. The administration is convinced that Russia and China would support sanctions or other harsh measures if new talks fail to persuade Iran to abandon nuclear efforts that the West fears could lead to a bomb, officials said.

Rice will be working to reaffirm such support on Thursday, said the official, who briefed reporters only on condition of anonymity because the secretary was continuing talks

Iran's Nuclear Credibility

→ The Bush administration's decision to sit down with Iran's government underscores a central truth of diplomacy today: Nuclear weapons buy leverage. | **Today A Section**

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with other countries.

The Iranian news agency said Iran accepts only proposals and conditions that are in the nation's interest. "Halting enrichment definitely doesn't meet such interests," IRNA said. ANNE GEARAN (AP)

NEW YORK | KATIE BIDS ADIEU TO 'TODAY'



FOND FAREWELL: Matt Lauer says his farewell to Katie Couric, his exiting co-host of the NBC "Today" show on Wednesday. Couric is leaving the morning show to become the next anchor of the "CBS Evening News."

Coin Dealer Admits to Illegal Bush Donation

GOP fundraiser pleads guilty to conspiracy for gifts to campaign

TOLEDO, OHIO | A coin dealer and prominent GOP fundraiser at the center of an Ohio political scandal pleaded guilty Wednesday to federal charges he illegally funneled about \$45,000 to President Bush's re-election campaign.

Tom Noe, once a powerful political figure who also raised money for Ohio Republicans, still is charged with embezzlement in an ill-fated \$50 million coin investment that he managed for a state workers fund.

The investment scandal has been a major embarrassment for Ohio's ruling Republicans and given Democrats a better shot at winning state offices this year.

Noe was charged with exceeding federal campaign contribution limits, using others to make the contributions and causing the Bush campaign to submit a false statement.

Prosecutors planned to recommend a sentence of 2 to 2½ years.

JOHN SEEWER (AP)



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Bush 'Troubled' by Haditha Reports

Preliminary evidence points to unprovoked killing of Iraqi civilians

WASHINGTON | President Bush promised on Wednesday that any Marines involved in the alleged murders of Iraqi civilians will be punished. A senior officer said the case could undermine Iraqis' support for the presence of American troops.

"I am troubled by the initial news stories," Bush said in his first public comments about the deaths of about two dozen civilians at Haditha last January. "I'm mindful that there's a thorough investigation going on. If in fact, laws were broken, there will be punishment."

Military investigators have evidence that points toward unpro-



PATROL: A Kilo Company Marine takes cover on a street in Haditha, Iraq on Oct. 4, 2005. Marines from the Kilo Company are under investigation for civilian killings.

voked murders by Marines, a senior defense official said last week.

The shootings came after a bomb rocked a military convoy on Nov. 19, killing a Marine. Residents of Haditha said Marines then went into nearby houses and shot members of two families, including a 3-year-old girl.

At first, the American military described what happened as an ambush on a joint U.S.-Iraqi patrol, with a roadside bombing and subsequent firefight killing 15 civilians, eight insurgents and a Marine. The statement said the 15 civilians were killed by the blast, a claim the residents strongly denied.

With some in Congress alleging a cover-up, the Bush administration offered assurances the facts will be made public.

Bush's spokesman, Tony Snow,

urged patience as the Marines conduct what he called a vigorous investigation. He said a report will come out in "a matter of weeks, not a matter of months" and include public release of photographic evidence. "We're going to see everything," Snow said.

Once that investigation is completed, a senior Marine commander in Iraq will decide whether to press charges of murder or other violations of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

At the Pentagon, Army Brig. Gen. Carter Ham would not discuss any aspect of the probe, but he stressed the potential harm caused by allegations alone.

"Allegations such as this, regardless of how they are borne out by the facts, can have an effect on the ability of U.S. forces to continue to operate," said Ham, a deputy operations director for the Joint Staff and a former commander of U.S. forces in northern Iraq. NEDRA PICKLER (AP)

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BAD BLOOD: California man Jinsoo Kim filed a lawsuit claiming that a friend owes him money, but because their contract was written in blood, he may not see a dime. Stephen Son's attorney is arguing that the document is not a valid contract.

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Arctic Has a Steamy Past

North Pole once had sub-tropical climate, new research shows

WASHINGTON | Scientists have found something about the North Pole that could send a shiver down Santa's spine: It used to be downright balmy.

In fact, 55 million years ago the Arctic was once a lot like Miami, with an average temperature of 74 degrees, alligator ancestors and palm trees, scientists say.

That conclusion, based on first-of-its-kind core samples extracted from more than 1,000 feet below the Arctic Ocean floor, is contained in studies published in Thursday's issue of the journal *Nature*.

Scientists say the findings are both a glimpse backward at a region heated by naturally produced greenhouse gases run amok and a sneak peek at what manmade global warming could do someday.

Scientists say ferns may have been responsible for cooling things



GETTING HOT UP HERE: Research ships break through arctic ice a few miles from the North Pole as scientists drill deep below the surface in this August 2004 photo.

back down by sucking up massive amounts of the carbon dioxide.

The Earth went through an extended period of natural global warming, capped off by a super-charged spike of carbon dioxide that accelerated the greenhouse effect. Scientists already knew this

"thermal event" happened, but figured that while the rest of the world got really hot, the polar regions were still about 52 degrees on average.

But the new research from the multinational Arctic Coring Expedition found the polar average was closer to 74. SETH BORENSTEIN (AP)

Police Find Baby Alone After Family Murdered

Toddler left for dead spent 3 days in house with victims' bodies

GARDEN GROVE, CALIF. | A 1-year-old girl spent up to three days alone with the bloody bodies of her murdered family, her face kicked or beaten and lips cracked from dehydration, police said.

"She was left for dead," Lt. Mike Handfield said Tuesday. "If she would have been here any longer, she could have perished from lack of food and water."

Police found the bodies of Phuong Hung Le, 30, his wife, Trish Dawn Lam, 25, and Lam's 6-year-old son, Tommy, on Monday when they conducted a welfare check at the family's home, on a street lined with two-story stucco houses about 35 miles southeast of Los Angeles in Orange County.

The girl, whose name was not immediately available, was treated

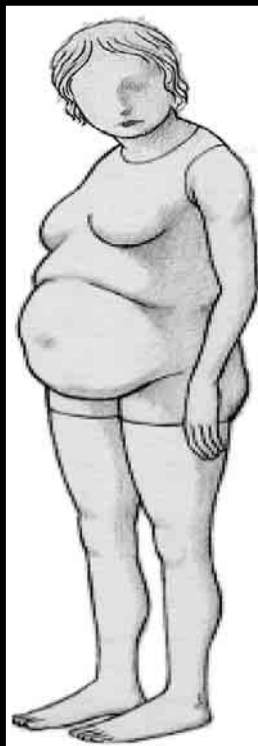


Police work in front of the house where the family was found on Tuesday.

at a hospital for dehydration and facial injuries and placed in protective custody.

The girl smiled at the officer who found her, Handfield said. "She clung to him and he hugged her. She was glad to be next to a warm human body, to have somebody with her."

Investigators did not know the motive for the attack, and no arrests had been made. Authorities ruled out a murder-suicide. (AP)



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BRIT WIT: Oft-quoted remarks branded inappropriate have earned England's Prince Philip a politically incorrect reputation. Now, they're a book. The "Duke of Hazard: The Wit and Wisdom of Prince Philip," compiles six decades of the royal's verbal gaffes.

In Brief



A police vehicle burns in rioting early Wednesday at the Montfermeil city hall.

MONTFERMEIL, FRANCE

Restive Paris Suburbs Erupt Anew in Angry Night Riots

Dozens of police combed the rooftops in a troubled Paris suburb Wednesday in search of objects that could be hurled their way while others patrolled the streets, securing the area after two nights of violence. For two consecutive nights, angry youths torched cars and hurled stones at police in Montfermeil, a Paris suburb that borders Clichy-Sous-Bois, the flash point of fall riots in the mostly immigrant suburbs of France. The trigger of this week's unrest was the arrest Monday of a suspect in the beating of a bus driver, the mayor's office said. (AP)

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN

Lawmakers Seek Probe of U.S. Troops Involved in Crash

Afghanistan's parliament demanded prosecution of U.S. soldiers involved in a deadly road crash that sparked riots in Kabul, and President Bush on Wednesday spoke by phone with the Afghan leader and pledged a full investigation. Meanwhile, hundreds of Taliban militants overran a police district headquarters — the latest sign that the Afghan government has only shaky control of the countryside. (AP)

JAKARTA, INDONESIA

No Let-Up in Human Deaths From Bird Flu in Indonesia

Indonesia averaged one human bird flu death every 2½ days in May, putting it on pace to soon surpass Vietnam as the world's hardest-hit country. The latest death, announced Wednesday, was a 15-year-old boy whose preliminary tests were positive for the H5N1 virus. (AP)

Iraqi Civilian Deaths Take Spotlight

Amid Haditha outcry, U.S. probes shooting of pregnant woman

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | The shooting death of a pregnant Iraqi, apparently by U.S. troops, as she was rushing to a hospital threw an intense spotlight Wednesday on the troubling issue of Iraqi civilian deaths.

Iraqi police and witnesses said the troops gunned down the woman and her cousin in their car. The U.S. military said the car entered a clearly marked prohibited area but failed to stop despite repeated signals; shots were fired to disable the vehicle, it said.

The U.S. military said its forces "later received reports from Iraqi police that two women had died from gunshot wounds at the Samarra Hospital and one of the females may have been pregnant. The incident is under investigation."

More than 4,000 Iraqis — many of them civilians — have been killed



LINE OF FIRE: More than 4,000 Iraqis have been killed in war-related violence this year, including more than 900 in May alone, a count by the Associated Press finds.

in war-related violence this year, including at least 936 in May alone, according to an Associated Press count.

The figures show that civilians, not Iraqi security forces, are

increasingly the casualties of violence. Eighty-two percent of the war-related Iraqi deaths recorded in May were civilians, compared with 61 percent in May 2005, when 746 Iraqis were killed.

An 'Iron Hand' in Basra

→ Alarmed by a burst of crime and violence in Basra, the Iraqi prime minister warned that he would respond to security threats "with an iron hand." | **Today, A Section**

IN The Washington Post

At a time when U.S. Marines are investigating an alleged massacre of Iraqi men, women and children in the town of Haditha last fall, the military says it constantly strives to avoid civilian casualties.

"The loss of life is regrettable and coalition forces go to great lengths to prevent them," the military said of the Samarra shooting.

Anti-U.S. sentiments are whipped up by incidents like Samarra. In addition to Haditha, major abuse cases such as the scandal at the U.S.-run Abu Ghraib prison or the alleged bombing by U.S. warplanes of a wedding in western Iraq in 2004 that killed about 45 people also foster anger at American troops. HAMZA HENDAWI (AP)

Street Battles Persist in East Timor

DILI, EAST TIMOR | Machete-wielding youths battled in East Timor's capital Wednesday amid burning and looting as more foreign troops bolstered a force struggling to stop the unrest that has destabilized the country.

More than 100,000 residents of Dili have fled their homes to escape the violence, an aid official said.

Australia, which has provided the vast bulk of the more than 2,000 international security forces trying to control the city, suggested that a semi-permanent contingent may be needed to help East Timor restore order.

After a lull in violence Tuesday, street fights broke out in several parts of the smoldering city Wednesday. Roaming bands of youths fired sling shots, threw rocks and hacked rivals with machetes.

Australian forces spent several tense hours on the main airport road trying unsuccessfully to keep the warring parties apart.



Australian troops work to secure an area of unrest in Dili, East Timor, Wednesday. Aid groups say more than 100,000 people have fled their homes due to the violence.

More than 100,000 people have fled their homes, said Kym Smithies, a spokeswoman for about 30 private aid groups operating in the country. More than 70,000 were in camps in the capital and another 30,000 had fled the city altogether, she said.

The violence is the worst in East Timor since its bloody break from Indonesia in 1999, which paved the way for full independence in 2002 after years of U.N. administration. It remains one of the world's poorest countries and is dependent on foreign aid. ANTHONY DEUTSCH (AP)

Report Clears U.N. Tribunal in Milosevic's Death

AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS | Slobodan Milosevic defied doctors' orders to quit smoking and took smuggled medication, an internal report said Wednesday, clearing the tribunal of giving inadequate medical care that might have led to the prisoner's death.

The internal investigators said the former Yugoslav president also kept medical information secret from his judges at the tribunal in The Hague, where he was extradited in 2001 to stand trial on 66 counts of genocide and war crimes.

In the most complete survey of events leading to Milosevic's death, the report cleared U.N. authorities and said the fatal heart attack probably could not have been prevented. The report said, however, that special privileges accorded to Milosevic enabled him to receive non-prescribed medications. (AP)



HOT SPOT: Beijing plans to boost electricity charges for peak summer hours to discourage the use of air conditioners and head off power shortages. No word on how much prices will rise.

World



IN NEED: Earthquake victims rush to receive relief materials from an Indonesian military helicopter in Central Java Wednesday.

Aid Pours Into Quake Zone

But many victims say relief efforts too slow, hospitals still jammed

BANTUL, INDONESIA | Medicines, rice, water and tarps were delivered to Indonesia's earthquake disaster zone Wednesday to help about 650,000 displaced people, but many said the international aid was still taking too long to get there.

Thousands of women and chil-

dren lined roads clogged with relief vehicles and curious onlookers, asking motorists for money so they could buy food.

Saturday's 6.3-magnitude quake on Java island killed 6,234 people and injured more than 30,000, the Social Affairs Ministry said.

The main hospital in hardest-hit Bantul district remained overwhelmed, with patients cramming corridors or sleeping in the parking lot, and doctors complained about a lack of supplies.

The United Nations said the crisis appeared to be easing with the arrival of aid workers from more than 20 countries, and Indonesia's president said he had enough confidence in the relief efforts to return to the capital, Jakarta.

Getting food and fresh water to survivors remained a pressing concern, with some \$5 million needed over the next few months to pay for emergency rations of noodles and high-energy biscuits, the U.N. World Food Program said. (AP)

'Juan Valdez' Hangs Up His Poncho

Long-time promoter of Colombian coffee retires from iconic role

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA | Juan Valdez is retiring. Long live Juan Valdez!

Colombia's coffee ambassador to the world, Carlos Sanchez, is quitting after nearly four decades of playing the role of Juan Valdez. And the federation of Colombian coffee producers is searching for a man to inherit his poncho — as well as his trusty mule, Conchita.

Sanchez has promoted Colombian coffee since 1969 with



Carlos Sanchez, 71, has portrayed Colombia's Juan Valdez since 1969.

a leather bag, bushy mustache and straw hat typical of rural Colombia. He inherited the role from Jose

Duval, a Cuban, who became the first Juan Valdez in 1959.

The Juan Valdez trademark has become one of the most recognizable in the world, the fictional figure one of the most famous Colombians of all time. Colombians have been thankful to Valdez for presenting another side of their country, which often is seen abroad as a haven for drug traffickers and terrorists.

In searching for a replacement, the federation sent teams across the streets, farms and cafes in the country's western coffee region. The new Juan Valdez will be announced by June 30. TOBY MUSE (AP)

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— **D.C. Rep. Eleanor Norton Holmes**, criticizing the delay in increasing police forces on the Mall after a series of robberies and attacks last week and over the weekend.

Local

Patient Dies After Helicopter Crash

Crew of medical transport craft suffer injuries in rare accident

WASHINGTON | A medical helicopter crashed on its way to Washington Hospital Center, killing the patient and injuring three crew members.

The patient, 51-year-old Steven

Gaston, was being transported from Greater Southeast Community Hospital when the helicopter crashed Tuesday, Washington Hospital Center spokesman LeRoy Tillman said. He was taken into emergency surgery after the crash but died about 11:30 p.m. that night.

The District of Columbia Medical Examiner was working with hospi-

tal officials to determine whether the crash contributed to Gaston's death, said Dr. Janis Orlowski, the hospital center's chief medical officer. Gaston was critically ill at the time of the transport.

The pilot, Darryl Johnson, 58, had surgery to repair damage to his spinal column, Orlowski said.

David Martin, 33, a flight medic,

broke his ribs and fractured his spine. Neither injury required surgery.

Nancy Vanderweele, 39, a flight nurse, also suffered a spinal fracture and a broken leg and shoulder. She was expected to undergo surgery Wednesday to repair the damage.

The crash was the center's first crash in more than 40,000 helicopter transports, Orlowski said. (AP)

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Evening Pick 3 (Tues.)	7-0-5
Mid-day Pick 4 (Wed.)	1-0-2-3
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Mid-day Cash 5 (Wed.)	6-12-16-18-22
Evening Cash 5 (Tues.)	5-8-11-24-27
MULTI-STATE GAMES	
Mega Millions (Tues.)	2-13-28-34-45
Mega Ball	36

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IN The Washington Post | D.C. MAIN BREAK



WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE: A pedestrian jumps over water flowing in the street Wednesday after a main break at the corner of 20th and I streets. The break caused water pressure problems for businesses. | **Inside Metro**

Afghan Boy Released From Hospital

WASHINGTON | A 7-year-old boy from Afghanistan was released Wednesday from Children's National Medical Center after undergoing surgery to repair his heart.

Doctors closed a hole in Umer Mohammed's heart about two weeks ago and removed blockages

in the arteries to his lungs — defects that are usually detected and corrected in infancy.

"He's acting great. He's got good energy," said Dr. Gerard Martin, chief of cardiology at Children's. Martin said Umer was in intensive care for about nine days after the operation. (AP)

Muhammad Will Head Back to Va. Death Row

Further prosecutions still possible for attacks in other states

ROCKVILLE, MD. | John Allen Muhammad is expected to return to Virginia's death row soon after he is sentenced Thursday for his second Washington-area sniper conviction, but whether he will face prosecution in other states remains unclear.

Muhammad was found guilty of six October 2002 shootings by a Maryland jury on Tuesday, and could be sentenced of life in prison without the possibility of parole for each murder. Maryland prosecutors said the second trial was needed insurance in case his Virginia death sentence and conviction for a sniper shooting

there is ever overturned.

But several other states and jurisdictions still have charges pending against Muhammad and his accomplice Lee Boyd Malvo for other sniper shootings. They include Louisiana, Alabama, Washington D.C., and Prince George's County, in Maryland.

A decision to send the pair to other states will be made by Virginia, which prosecuted the pair first and sent them to Maryland under an agreement that they be sent back when the Maryland cases were finished.

Kevin Hall, a spokesman for Virginia Gov. Timothy M. Kaine, said the two convictions may have fulfilled the desire for legal insurance. STEPHEN MANNING (AP)

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The percentage of Delta Air Lines pilots who voted in favor of an agreement with the company that calls for \$280 million in annual concessions. The deal will take effect Thursday, as long as a bankruptcy court judge OKs the arrangement.

Yahoo Next to Take on YouTube

Search-engine leader retools video service to host amateur clips

SAN FRANCISCO | Yahoo Inc. is reprogramming its online video service so it is more like YouTube.com, an Internet upstart that has amassed a large audience during the past year with a free Web service that encourages people to post and share home-made clips.

Under changes to be unveiled Thursday, Yahoo will store home-made videos on its own site for the first time as it attempts to build a platform for people to browse and rate the clips. The videos will be separated into different categories,

including a section devoted to the most-watched selections.

Those features mirror YouTube, which has become the Web's most popular video channel since a pair of technology whizzes started the company a year ago.

Now, Internet heavyweights like Yahoo are trying to chip away at YouTube's early lead as the rapidly growing number of high-speed Web connections make it easier to transfer and watch online videos.

Just two weeks ago, Google Inc. retooled its video service so a special piece of software would no longer be required to upload clips. Meanwhile, Time Warner Inc.'s AOL is testing a service, called UnCut Video, that accepts clips. MICHAEL LIEDTKE (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
NRG Egy	49.75	+6.74	+15.7
CPI	26.26	+3.12	+13.5
Salton h	2.75	+3.32	+13.2
CBOT n	104.46	+11.96	+12.9
Rostelet	24.31	+2.35	+10.7

Losers

Vitro	2.40	-.21	-8.0
Extend g	22.63	-1.77	-7.3
L-3 Com	72.96	-4.91	-6.3
SeaCntB lf	8.00	-.50	-5.9
Intermec	23.04	-1.43	-5.8

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Epoch n	5.00	+.95	+23.5
Senomyx	15.97	+2.98	+22.9
IvanhoeEn	2.75	+.46	+20.1
GallHist	2.24	+.35	+18.5
Iomai n	4.30	-.05	-1.1

Losers

GandrMt	6.06	-2.73	-31.1
ADC Tel r	17.92	-4.46	-19.9
Cardiom g	9.03	-2.25	-19.9
HokuSci n	4.44	-.76	-14.6
INTAC	6.14	-1.02	-14.2

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.00	8.00
Fed Funds close	5.0625	5.00
3-month disc	4.72	4.71
2-year	5.04	4.94
10-year	5.13	5.04
30-year	5.23	5.13

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5351	.5311	.5501
Canadian Dollar	1.1011	1.0999	1.2546
European Euro	.7804	.7773	.8122
Japanese Yen	112.59	112.17	108.50
Mexican Peso	11.3298	11.3078	10.8730
Taiwanese Dollar	31.99	32.09	31.35

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BkNova g	40.25	+.10	+1.6
Citigrp	49.30	+.28	+1.6
DeutschBk	114.66	+1.35	+18.4
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PRINCE OF TIES: Prince William is headed to the World Cup to cheer on England when it plays Paraguay, officials said Wednesday. The June 10 game in Frankfurt will be his first England match since he became president of the Football Association.

Sports

Soriano Comes Up Big in Nats Win

Slugger drives in all of Washington's runs to avoid a sweep in Philly

NATIONALS | Alfonso Soriano isn't a typical leadoff hitter. He's just a productive one.

Soriano hit a two-run homer and a tie-breaking single, helping the Washington Nationals avoid a three-game sweep with a 3-2 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies on Wednesday.

Livan Hernandez (4-5) pitched seven solid innings, allowing two runs and five hits to get his third straight win. Mike Stanton struck out Chase Utley, Bobby Abreu and Ryan Howard in the eighth, and Chad Cordero retired Pat Burrell and David Bell with runners in scoring position for his eighth save in 10 chances.

"Soriano gave us a spark," manager Frank Robinson said. "It seems when he does things, we win the game."

Hernandez hit a one-out single in the third, before Soriano launched his 19th homer into the seats in left-center to put Washington ahead 2-1.



Outfielder Mike Vento slides safely into home on Alfonso Soriano's seventh-inning single, putting Washington ahead for good.

"I got the big hit, but Livan pitched a great game," Soriano said.

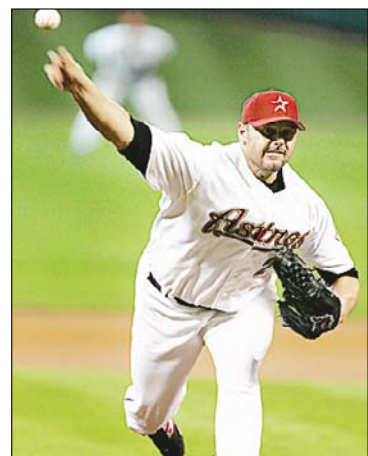
Hernandez has lowered his ERA from 6.52 to 5.10 in his last four outings. He's pitched at least

seven innings in each of those starts and hasn't given up more than three earned runs in any.

David Dellucci tied it at 2 with a shot to right field leading off the fifth. Hernandez escaped further

trouble in the inning by retiring Jimmy Rollins on a double-play grounder.

"I've changed my mechanics and my knee was bothering me earlier this season," Hernandez said. (AP)



Clemens agreed to a one-year contract that will pay him more than \$12 million.

Clemens Back in Houston

Astros' \$22M contract lures right-hander out of retirement yet again

BASEBALL | Roger Clemens is coming out of retirement for the third time, agreeing to a \$22 million contract to pitch for the Houston Astros for the rest of 2006.

The 43-year-old Clemens, who will be entering his 23rd major league season, is agreeing first to a minor league deal that pays \$322,000 over the five-month minor league season. His first start is likely to be at Lexington, Ky., the Class-A team where his oldest son, Koby, plays.

If all goes well, his second start would be June 11 at Double-A Corpus Christi, Texas, followed by a start June 16 at Triple-A Round Rock, Texas. He could be pitching in the big leagues by June 22.

"The ball's in my court now," Clemens said Wednesday at a news conference to announce his return.

When he is added to the major league roster, he gets a one-year contract worth \$22,000,022 — his uniform number is 22. Because he won't be playing the full season, he gets only a prorated percentage of that, which would come to about \$12.25 million if he rejoins Houston in late June. (AP)

At Memorial, Mickelson Is Favorite

With Nicklaus, Woods sitting out, Lefty starts run to the U.S. Open

GOLF | Phil Mickelson's shirt already was stained with patches of sweat. Yet, instead of being a sign of someone hard at work, this was more a case of oppressive heat and humidity at Muirfield Village, because the Masters champion had yet to play his pro-am on Wednesday. Truth is, the hard work is just beginning.

"It starts my stretch now through the U.S. Open, and what a great place to start," Mickelson said.

He returned to the Memorial for the first time since 2002, having played only twice since his two-shot victory at Augusta National, neither event particularly memorable.

But after three weeks off, Lefty



Phil Mickelson takes a chip Wednesday during the pro-am at the Memorial.

has his eyes on Winged Foot three weeks away.

"I thought that New Orleans was a very emotional week, seeing the

city and being there. And it took a little more out of me, and I was just tired," Mickelson said. "Now I'm excited to get back out and play. I have the energy and the motivation to go work hard and practice."

Mickelson spent much of last weekend at Winged Foot before coming to Muirfield Village, where so much has changed since the last time he was at the Memorial.

It's the first time Mickelson has as many majors as any other player in the field.

For one thing, he didn't have any majors in 2002, and now he has won three of the last eight. Of more significance, this is the first time tournament host Jack Nicklaus (18 majors) is not playing, and the first time Tiger Woods (10 majors) has skipped the Memorial since he turned pro. DOUG FERGUSON (AP)

70 Years Later, ODU Will Field A Football Team

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | Old Dominion is resurrecting its football program after nearly 70 years with contributions of nearly \$6 million from alumni, students and community leaders.

"Old Dominion University football will be returning to Foreman Field in 2009," Board of Visitors Rector James Hixon announced at a news conference and tailgate party at the field Wednesday.

The Monarchs will compete in Division I-AA as a member of the Colonial Athletic Association. The school said it also will add three women's sports — crew, softball and volleyball — to meet Title IX requirements. ODU's last football season was 1940. HANK KURZ JR. (AP)

Sports



"I don't use my name to get in trouble, and I don't use my name to get out of trouble. That would never come out of my mouth." — **Wizards Gilbert Arenas** to the Post, responding to a police report that claimed Arenas said, "You can't arrest me, I'm a basketball player. I play for the Washington Wizards."

Game 7 Fitting for Sabres, 'Canes

Neither team surprised that conference finals are going the distance

NHL PLAYOFFS | For nearly two weeks, the Carolina Hurricanes and Buffalo Sabres have fought to a standstill to see who will play for the Stanley Cup, so closing the intense series with a Game 7 seems fitting. Even inevitable.

"If you would've told me before the series that we'd be getting ready for Game 7, I wouldn't have been surprised," Carolina forward Kevyn Adams said.



After Game 6, the Sabres were celebrating an overtime goal to extend the series.

In an Eastern Conference finals series tied 3-3, the Hurricanes' home-ice advantage might be the only discernible difference between evenly matched teams playing Thursday for the right to face Edmonton in the Stanley Cup finals. Five games have been decided by a goal, the last two in overtime.

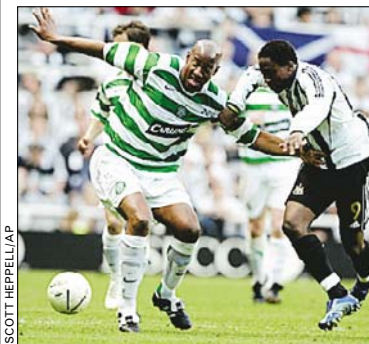
The Hurricanes and Sabres have always seemed to find a way to win when they needed to most. Now they're both preparing for a game that will leave the loser with the empty feeling that a season's worth of hard work went unfulfilled. **AARON BEARD (AP)**

In Brief

D.C. UNITED

D.C. to Host Scottish League Champion Celtic on July 12

D.C. United will host Scottish Premier League champion Celtic FC in an exhibition game at RFK Stadium on July 12. Celtic is a historic powerhouse in Scotland, having won the league title 40 times since the club was founded in 1888. "United remains steadfast in our commitment to seek meaningful competition with the best clubs from around the world," said United Sr. Vice President Stephen Zack. **(AP)**



Dion Dublin, left, and the Celtic soccer team will play D.C. United on July 12.

NHL

Gretzky Agrees to Five-Year Deal to Remain in Phoenix

Wayne Gretzky has agreed to a five-year contract to remain the Phoenix Coyotes' coach. "It is an important, important event for the Phoenix Coyotes," chief executive officer Jeff Shumways said at Wednesday's news conference. Gretzky, the NHL's all-time leading scorer, made his coaching debut last season and guided the Coyotes to a 38-5-39 record.



Gretzky

MLB

Royals Fire GM, Hire Moore From Atlanta's Front Office

The Kansas City Royals fired general manager Allard Baird on Wednesday and replaced him with Dayton Moore of the Atlanta Braves. Moore, an assistant GM with one of the most successful organizations in baseball, will be asked to turn around one of the worst. **(AP)**

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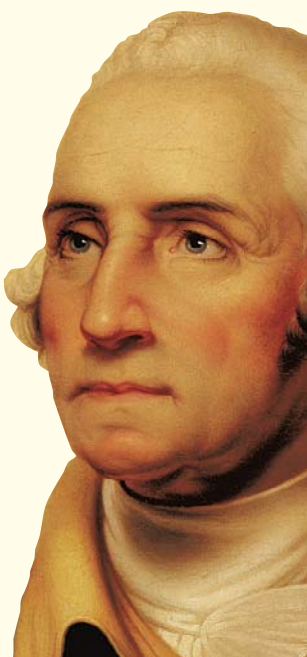
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Suns' Spark Plug Will Be Ready Go in Dallas

Phoenix looks to steal a game in Dallas with Bell back in the lineup

NBA PLAYOFFS | Though understandably sore on Wednesday, Raja Bell was confident he would be ready to play when the Phoenix Suns meet the Dallas Mavericks on Thursday night in Game 5 of the Western Conference finals.

Bell made a surprise start Tuesday night after missing two games with a slight tear in his left calf muscle. His presence injected the Suns with an emotional intensity that led to a 106-86 romp that evened the series at two games apiece.

"It's pretty sore and it's a little stiff," Bell said after practice Wednesday. "But it still feels better than it did the first couple of days when it was injured, so that's a positive sign for me that it should feel a lot better tomorrow."

He said he just took a few stationary shots in practice and planned to work out in the pool before the team left for Dallas.

As intent as he was on playing, Bell thought he would only spell Leandro Barbosa for a few minutes. Instead, Mike D'Antoni put



Raja Bell brings intensity to the Suns, who evened the series with Bell's help.

Bell in the starting lineup, and he played 31 minutes.

"It was at Mike's discretion to use me as he felt fit," Bell said. "He felt I could handle those minutes, and I respect his judgment and the training staff's. I didn't think I'd play 31 minutes, but I feel pretty good having done it."

D'Antoni said the way Bell played surprised him.

"I'm not surprised of his heart and his desire to do it," D'Antoni said, "I'm a little surprised that ... he could even start yesterday." **(AP)**



IN AGREEMENT? When it comes to the World Cup, Israelis and Palestinians are in full agreement: The price to watch the games on TV is too high. Making light of this rare bit of common ground, the Haaretz daily published a cartoon showing Israelis scaling the West Bank separation barrier to watch free soccer games with a Palestinian.

Sports

Report Helps Exonerate Armstrong

Investigators refute claim that the cyclist used EPO in '99 Tour

CYCLING | Dutch investigators cleared Lance Armstrong of doping in the 1999 Tour de France on Wednesday, and accused anti-doping authorities of misconduct in dealing with the American cyclist.

A 132-page report recommended convening a tribunal to discuss possible legal and ethical violations by the World Anti-Doping Agency and to consider "appropriate sanctions to remedy the violations."

The French sports daily L'Equipe reported in August that six of Armstrong's urine samples from 1999, when he won the first of his record seven-straight Tour titles, came back positive for the endurance-boosting hormone EPO when they were retested in 2004. Armstrong has repeatedly denied using banned substances.

The International Cycling Union appointed Dutch lawyer Emile Vrijman last October to investigate the handling of urine tests from the 1999 Tour by the French national anti-doping laboratory, known by its French acronym LNDD.



Lance Armstrong celebrates winning the 1999 Tour, his first of seven victories.

Vrijman said his report "exonerates Lance Armstrong completely with respect to alleged use of doping in the 1999 Tour de France."

WADA chief Dick Pound said, based on what he had read in news accounts, was highly critical of Vrijman's findings.

"Whether the samples were positive or not, I don't know how a Dutch lawyer with no expertise came to a conclusion that one of the leading laboratories in the world messed up on the analysis. To say Armstrong is totally exonerated seems strange," Pound said.

ARTHUR MAX (AP)



Roger Federer won his match easily, despite rain delays at Roland Garros.

Federer Survives Second

World's No. 1 wins in three sets despite long rain delays at Roland

TENNIS | Roger Federer was better than the weather.

On a third consecutive damp, chilly day at the French Open, top-ranked Federer endured two rain delays while beating Alejandro Falla 6-1, 6-4, 6-3 in the second round Wednesday.

The two delays totaled 1 hour, 31 minutes, while the match lasted only 1 hour, 26 minutes. Because of rain, one match took seven hours to complete.

"I'm happy to get through," Federer said. "It's not easy to come on and off. You always hope your game is still there and it hasn't left you."

Federer shanked forehands on two match points in the final game before closing out the victory to improve to 40-3 this year. He never lost his serve, won 55 of 68 service points and finished with 41 winners to 13 for Falla. Federer is bidding for his fourth consecutive Grand Slam title at the only major event he has yet to win.

"I would like to win here," he said. "The pressure is quite big. I enjoy the challenge." STEVEN WINE (AP)



Crew members assemble a Toyota racing truck. Two Toyota teams are eyeing Nextel.

Toyota Makes a Bigger Splash in Auto Racing

Two truck teams are hoping to race Car of Tomorrow next spring

AUTO RACING | Toyota might have more than three teams in its debut year in NASCAR's Nextel Cup series after all.

Jim Aust, vice president of Toyota Motorsports and president and CEO of Toyota Racing Development, told The Associated Press on Wednesday that two of its current teams in the Craftsman Truck Series are hoping to run some races in 2007 with the new Car of

Tomorrow that NASCAR plans to launch at Bristol next spring.

The Car of Tomorrow is a bigger, boxier vehicle with a front-end splitter that NASCAR has designed to eventually replace the slick aerodynamic models that manufacturers spent the past 10 years developing. The Car of Tomorrow is scheduled to run in 15 races next season in a phase-in process that will be complete by 2009.

Toyota announced in January that it would run six cars in the Cup in 2007. So far, the only drivers confirmed are Michael Waltrip and Dale Jarrett. MIKE HARRIS (AP)

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Total number of receptions made by Redskins WR David Patten last season. With a base salary of \$1.085 million next year, some experts are expecting Patten to be cut after June 1.

Soriano's All Right in Left

New left fielder stays dominant at the plate; Majewski looks strong

NATS NOTEBOOK | You don't see the cringes so much anymore.

When an opposing player lifts a fly ball in the direction of Washington second baseman-turned-left fielder Alfonso Soriano, it's not quite as terrifying for Nationals fans.

It had been rather unpleasant for a while. Soriano, who resisted the position change until he had no other options, had a way to make even the most routine out into an adventure.

But two months into the season, through time, patience and practice, Soriano has transformed himself into a serviceable left fielder. He's even shown the potential to be, dare we say, good.

"I feel comfortable," he said. "I don't feel comfortable 100 percent, but I just have to play the game and have fun."

He's growing more capable each day. His five errors are tied for the most among major-league outfielders. But his nine assists are three more than any other outfielder.

Part of his argument for resisting the switch was that it's easier to be a standout player at second base than it is in the outfield. But through all his trials and errors, he's been the same old Soriano at the plate. He leads all National League out-



Soriano has stayed active at the plate, leading all NL outfielders with 19 home runs.

fielders with 19 home runs, including 11 at cavernous RFK Stadium. He's also done his job as a leadoff hitter, leading the league in total bases and standing among the best in runs scored.

Despite his off-season concerns, Soriano has made a strong case to make the all-star team as a left fielder.

"It's much better than it was supposed to be," he said.

THAT'S A RELIEF: It didn't bode well for the team after the workhorse reliever Gary Majewski posted a 4.96 ERA in April, but he has rebounded, dropping his ERA by more than a run and regain-

ing the trust of manager Frank Robinson.

"Yeah, he's back. He's throwing the ball very well," Robinson said. "He's a guy that I can move around a little bit in different situations — use late, use early, use middle. I wouldn't be afraid if [Chad] Cordero went down to use him as a closer. He's very valuable out there."

ROSTER SHAKE-UP: Since May 17, six players have made their season debuts. Pitchers Saul Rivera, Santiago Ramirez and Shawn Hill, outfielders Alex Escobar and Mike Vento, and utility man Robert Fick have joined the team from the farm system. DEREK TURNER

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

ORIOLES (7 P.M. ON CSN) Nothing says "rivalry" quite like the O's and the Devil Rays, who square off for the last showdown of a three-game series.

NBA PLAYOFFS (8:45 P.M. ON TNT) Shaq and the Heat look to outplay the Pistons one more time to win the Eastern Conference and move on to the finals.

NHL PLAYOFFS (7:30 P.M. ON OLN) Twenty thousand "Caniacs" will be trying to make Buffalo feel Carolina's home ice advantage in this win-or-go-home Game 7.

BASEBALL (7 P.M. ON ESPN) Welcome to the Twilight Zone, where the Tigers have a better record than the Yanks entering this final game of four.

MLB**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

EAST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Boston	30	20	.600	—	16-8	14-12
N.Y. Yankees	30	20	.600	—	16-9	14-11
Toronto	29	22	.569	1.5	19-10	10-12
Baltimore	24	28	.462	7	15-12	9-16
Tampa Bay	21	31	.404	10	12-11	9-20

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Detroit	35	17	.673	—	15-10	20-7
Chicago	33	18	.647	1.5	19-6	14-12
Cleveland	25	26	.490	9.5	14-11	11-15
Minnesota	23	28	.460	11.5	16-9	7-19
Kansas City	13	37	.260	21	8-15	5-22

WEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Texas	28	24	.538	—	15-15	13-9
L.A. Angels	23	29	.442	5	12-13	11-16
Oakland	23	29	.442	5	11-14	12-15
Seattle	22	32	.407	7	14-15	8-17

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
N.Y. Mets	31	20	.608	—	17-9	14-11
Philadelphia	27	24	.529	4	16-15	11-9
Atlanta	27	25	.519	4.5	12-8	15-17
Washington	21	32	.396	11	10-13	11-19
Florida	17	33	.340	13.5	9-16	8-17

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
St. Louis	33	19	.635	—	19-8	14-11
Cincinnati	28	24	.538	5	15-11	13-13
Houston	27	26	.509	6.5	18-9	9-17
Milwaukee	26	26	.500	7	17-9	9-17
Chicago	20	31	.392	12.5	12-13	8-18
Pittsburgh	18	34	.346	15	14-12	4-22

WEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Arizona	30	21	.588	—	17-9	13-12
L.A. Dodgers	30	22	.577	0.5	16-10	14-12
Colorado	27	25	.519	3.5	13-10	14-15
San Diego	27	25	.519	3.5	14-16	13-9
San Fran.	26	26	.500	3.5	14-13	12-13

Standings through May 30's games



ALL THE PRESIDENTS MEN: Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player were selected Wednesday as captains of the Presidents Cup for the third straight time. The Presidents Cup will be played in the fall of 2007 at Royal Montreal, the oldest golf club in North America.

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“Off the Field

NATIONALS PITCHER SHAWN HILL

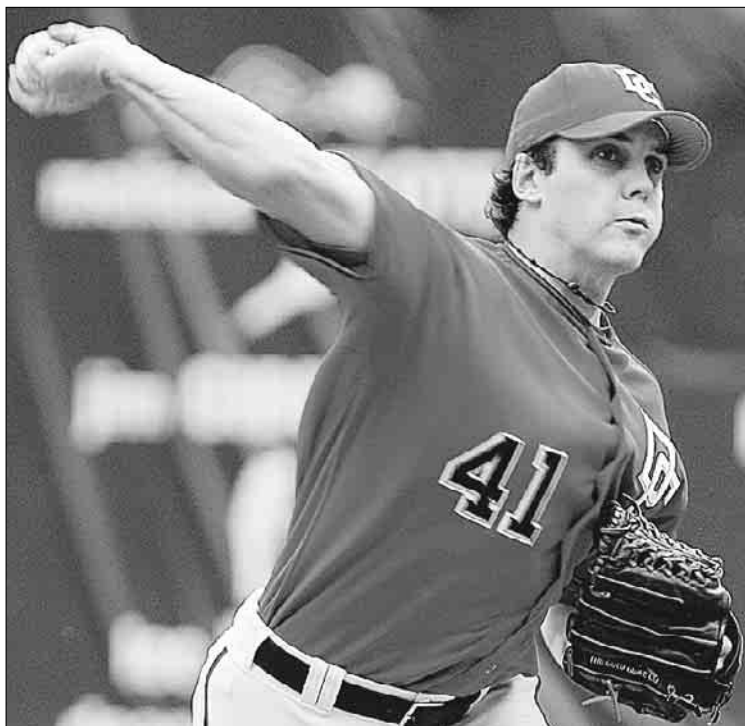
Q&A | Nationals right-hander Shawn Hill pitched three unremarkable games with the Expos in 2003 before missing the entire 2005 season recovering from ligament replacement surgery. So his seven-inning, one-run performance Saturday in his first game back in the majors was especially sweet.

What was it like for you growing up in Canada as a baseball player?

For me, I got into it at 4 or 5, so I was able to grow up with it the whole time. So it wasn't a big issue. But I was one of the few guys on our advance team growing up that wasn't playing hockey.

You never had any interest in playing hockey?

I played a lot of road hockey, but for whatever reason, my parents got me into soccer when I was 3 or 4. Lasted one year. Then I got into baseball and enjoyed it right away.



Shawn Hill gave up one run in seven innings in his first start for the Nats Saturday.

Did you have a favorite professional team growing up?

The Jays, just because they were right there. Once we got into the '90s with Alomar and Carter and them, they were winning the World Series, so it was kind of easy to follow them.

Did you go to a lot of games?

We used to go to a couple [at the old stadium]. And then once they moved to the dome, we used to go to five or so a year. But I was playing baseball over the summer, so they were tough to go to.

“I was trying to make a good impression so at this point I'd have a shot.”

What was it like to pitch for the Canadian Olympic team?

That was something I'm glad I got to do. For me, it was the best team that I've ever played on, best group of guys as a whole. We didn't get to do the closing ceremonies but we got to do the opening ceremonies. We walked out with the whole country. That was something you wish everybody would get to do.

Why didn't you pitch in the WBC this year?

I actually pulled out of the WBC. I was supposed to be there. Because I was coming back [from surgery] quicker than I thought, I was trying to make a good impression so that at this point or later in the year I'd have a shot [with the Nationals], instead of going up to the WBC and being forgotten about. DEREK TURNER



Joey Eischen has struggled all season with an injury to his left rotator cuff.

Reliever Eischen Likely to Miss Rest of Season

NATIONALS | Washington Nationals reliever Joey Eischen has an injury to the rotator cuff in his left shoulder and likely will miss the remainder of this season, the club announced Wednesday.

Eischen was examined this morning in Washington by team orthopedist Ben Shaffer and diagnosed with a thickness tear of his rotator cuff muscles. He was placed on the 60-day disabled list and will likely undergo surgery some time in the next week. BARRY SVRLUGA (TWP)

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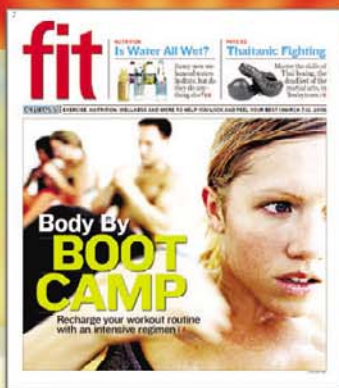
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REVENGE OF THE NERDS: Aaron Ruell and Jon Heder became unlikely cult stars with the good-natured, Idaho-centric dorkfest that is "Napoleon Dynamite."

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**A gala DVD of the hit
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DVD | Anyone who might be mulling summer vacation plans should be tickled to learn that it is not too late to book tickets for the second annual Napoleon Dynamite Festival on July 7 and 8 in Preston, Idaho.

If the lure of beautiful Preston (population 4,791 in the 2000 census) doesn't send you lunging for your American Express card, your heart will leap at the whirligig of activities inspired by the movie. Choose from the Tater Tot Eating Contest, the Tether Ball Tournament, a performance by the Preston High School Happy Hands Club, the Moon Boot Dance Contest, a school-bus village tour and other activities.

Or stay home with the two-disc special-edition DVD "Napoleon Dynamite: Like, the Best Special Edition Ever!," which contains enough insider lore to reduce you to the glazed-eyelid pall of Jon Heder, the film's improbable star.

Aaron Ruell, who plays Kip, Napoleon's computer nerd brother, offers a funny anecdote in the second of two DVD commentaries about the family origins of the movie's hilarious time-machine episode, one of the many eccentric flourishes that lend the film its singularly dorky je ne sais quoi. The commentaries and the extensive making-of footage reveal the extent to which personal family chronicle (mostly those of the director and his wife) contribute to "Napoleon Dynamite's" authentic feel for regional absurdities.

Indeed, one could say that director Jared Hess has done as much to consecrate Preston as a breeding ground of the banal as John Waters did for Baltimore. While Hess mentions the Coen brothers at the top of his list of influences, "Napoleon Dynamite" brandishes a double-edged sword of affection and attitude toward its home territory reminiscent of the kind wielded by Waters in everything from "Hairspray" to "Pink Flamingos."

JAN STUART (NEWSDAY)

LOSS & ORDER: Dennis Farina fans will have to look elsewhere for their favorite mustachioed tough guy — the actor is leaving “Law & Order.” Since series creator Dick Wolf is a loyal guy, he’s replacing Farina with Milena Govich, who appeared in Wolf’s drama “Conviction.”



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Once the province of ESPN2 during the early-morning hours, **THE 2006 SCRIPPS NATIONAL SPELLING BEE** (8 p.m., ABC) has hit the network big time.

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It was only a matter of time before there was an "American Idol" for the gallery crowd. The reality series **ARTSTAR** (9 p.m., Gallery HD) premieres tonight, in search of the next big New York City artist.

LONG DAY AT 'THE OFFICE'

Four consecutive episodes of **THE OFFICE** (NBC): passing the time during a fire drill (8 p.m.); Michael's screenplay revealed (8:30 p.m.); performance reviews (9 p.m.); Michael monitors e-mail (9:30 p.m.).



DRIVEN: Kids unable to spell “play-time” or “relax” vie for the trophy.

CULT CHOICE

A creature of legend haunts the California woods in the 2006 shocker **ABOMINABLE** (9 p.m., Sci Fi). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Inhuman Behavior

Obedience and power are explored in a chilling documentary

YIKES | Co-produced by Court TV and the Sundance Channel, the documentary "The Human Behavior Experiments" (10 p.m.) appears on both channels tonight.

“Experiments” looks at psychological studies conducted under laboratory conditions, as well as notorious true-life events that reveal startling evidence about how people behave in groups and how far individuals will go to obey or please an authority figure.



A participant in the mind-bendingly awful Stanford Prison experiment.

The most famous of these tests was conducted in the early 1960s, when Yale professor Stanley Milgram asked participants to

jolt another person with electricity. Although there was no current, the participants did not know that. Even (prerecorded) howls of pain did not stop most participants from turning the juice up to 450 volts.

The strangest cases took place outside the laboratory. A prankster pretending to be a police officer called a fast-food outlet and convinced an assistant manager to strip-search and humiliate another employee. She complied, even though the authority figure was not even in the room.

"Experiments" also looks at the power of conformity and apathy, as evidenced in the 1964 Kitty Genovese murder, fatal fraternity hazing incidents and the mayhem at the Abu Ghraib prison. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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USA	(5:00) *** "Major Payne" (1995)		Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Beast"		Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Beast"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		
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MOVIES	AMC	(5:45) *** "Big" (1988, Fantasy) Tom Hanks, Elizabeth Perkins. 'PG'		*** "The Princess Bride" (1987, Adventure) Cary Elwes. 'PG'		*** "The Man in the Iron Mask" (1998) Leonardo DiCaprio. 'PG-13'							
	TCM	(5:15) ** "Lady Luck" (1946) 'NR'		** "The Great Morgan" (1946) 'NR'		*** "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" (1953) Jane Russell. 'NR'		*** "How to Marry a Millionaire" (1953, Comedy) Marilyn Monroe. 'NR'					
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	SHOW	(.15) *** "Mean Girls" (2004) Lindsay Lohan. iTV. 'PG-13'				*** "The Machinist" (2004) Christian Bale. iTV Premiere. 'R'		Penn & Teller		Penn & Teller		HUFF Huff receives a surprise visit.	
	TMC	(.10) *** "Ghostbusters" (1984, Comedy) Bill Murray. 'PG'				** "Woman Thou Art Loosed" (2004) Kimberly Elise. (.45) * "Stark Raving Mad" (2002, Comedy) Seann William Scott. 'R'						*** Tommy	
	STARZ!	(5:30) * "Darkness" (2002) 'PG-13'		** "Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery" (2004)		Hwd Reporter		** "Stealth" (2005) Josh Lucas. Three pilots combat artificial intelligence.				"The Life Aquatic With Steve Zissou"	
ENCORE	(.15) *** "Jersey Girl" (2002) Ben Affleck, Liv Tyler. 'PG-13'				** "Hidaloo" (2004) Viggo Mortensen. A Westerner races a horse across the Arabian desert.		** "I Love Trouble" (1994) Julia Roberts. 'PG'						



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Outlets

Office drones turn to fight clubs to release their bottled-up angst

They may sport love handles and Ivy League degrees, but every two weeks some Silicon Valley techies turn into vicious street brawlers in a real-life, underground fight club.

Kicking, punching and swinging every household object imaginable — from frying pans and tennis rackets to pillowcases stuffed with soda cans — they beat each other mercilessly in a garage in the bedroom community of Menlo Park, just south of San Francisco.

Then, bloodied and bruised, they limp back to their desks in the morning.

"When you get beat down enough, it becomes a very un-macho thing," said Shiyin Siou, 34, a Santa Clara software engineer and three-year veteran of the clandestine fights. "But I don't need this to prove I'm macho — I'm macho enough as it is."

Inspired by the 1999 film "Fight Club," starring Brad Pitt and Edward Norton, underground bare-knuckle brawling clubs have sprung up across the country as a way for desk jockeys and disgruntled youths to vent their frustrations and prove themselves.

"This is as close as you can get to a real fight, even though I've never been in one," the soft-spoken Siou said.

Despite his reserved demeanor, he daydreams about inflicting pain on an attacker. "I have fantasies about it," he said.

In recent months, police in New Jersey and Pennsylvania have broken up fight clubs involving teens and preteens who posted videos of their bloody battles



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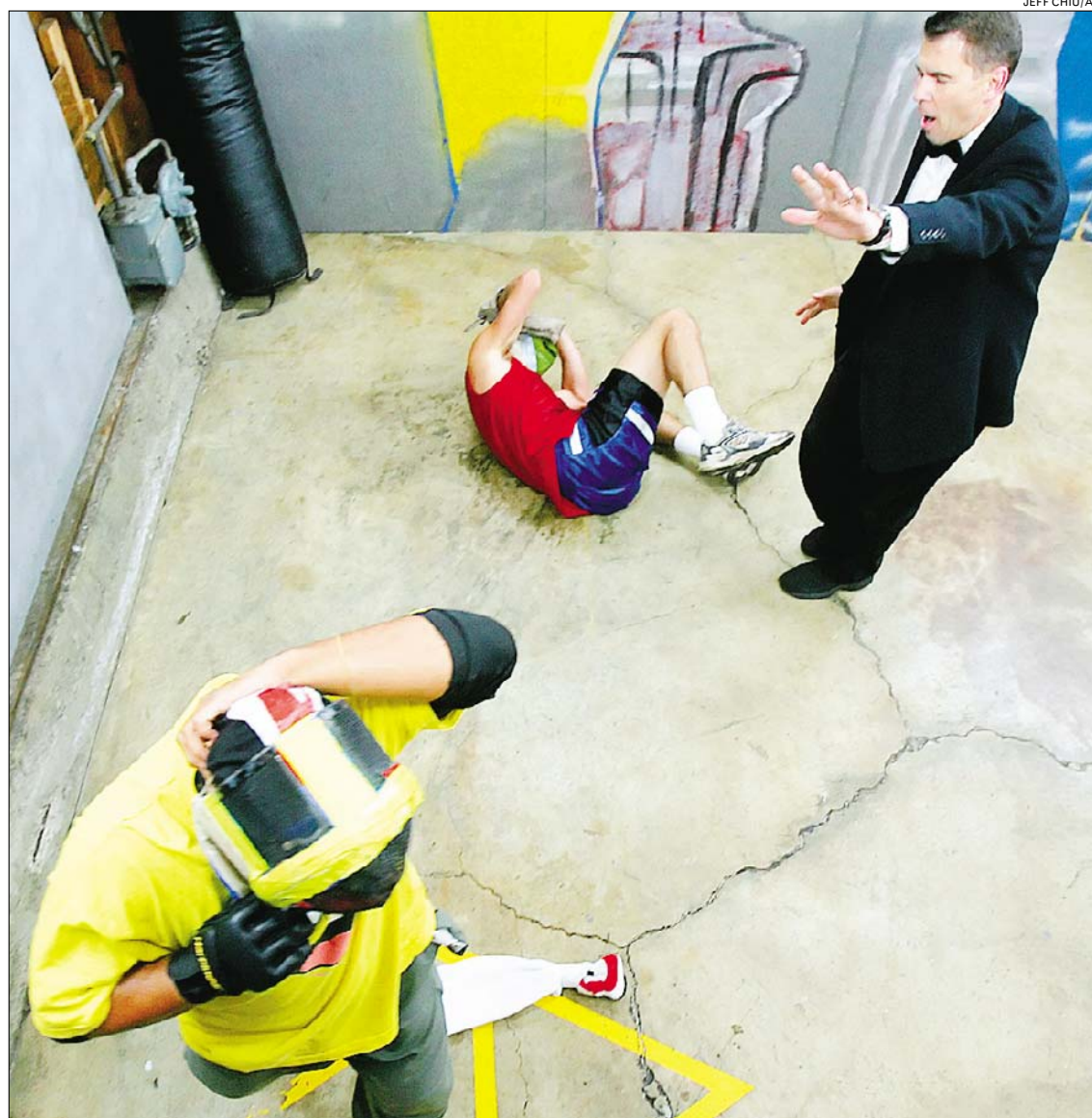
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JEFF CHIU/AP

DON'T TALK ABOUT IT: Taking their cues from Brad Pitt's character in "Fight Club," Silicon Valley desk jockeys derive perverse pleasure from beating each other senseless.

Punch Out

online.

Earlier this month in Arlington, Texas, a high school student who didn't want to participate was beaten so badly that he suffered a brain hemorrhage and broken vertebrae. Six teenagers were arrested after DVDs of the fight appeared for sale online.

Adult groups are more likely to fly under the radar of authorities.

Menlo Park police hadn't heard about the local club and said they wouldn't be likely to take action because the fights are on private property between consenting adults. That could change if someone complains or is sent to a hospital, police said.

Gints Klimanis, a 37-year-old software engineer and martial arts instructor, started the invitation-only "Gentlemen's Fight Club" in

Menlo Park in 2000 after his no-holds-barred sessions with a training partner grew to more than a dozen people. Most participants are men working in the high-tech industry.

"You get to be a superhero for a night," Klimanis said. "We have to go to work every day. We're constantly told to buy things we don't need, and just for a couple hours we have the freedom to do what

we want to do."

The only protective equipment used is fencing and hockey masks. Several fighters have suffered broken noses, ribs and fingers.

Men involved in fight clubs often carry bottled-up violent impulses learned in childhood from video games, cartoons and movies, said Michael Messner, a University of Southern California sociology and gender studies professor.

"Boys have these warrior fantasies picked up from popular culture, and schools sort of force that out of them," he said. In these fantasies, "The good guys always resort to violence, and they always get the glory and the women."

JORDAN ROBERTSON (AP)

A Seismic Shift for U.S.

Technology

Scientists will begin testing an earthquake early warning system

The ground heaves, an earthquake is born. Underground sensors along fault lines detect rumblings humans can't and relay signals to a central computer. Precious seconds before anything is felt, wailing sirens blare that a big one is on its way.

That sliver of time could be used to warn people to flee from windows and take cover. Companies such as gas and electric utilities could take actions to protect their systems. And speeding trains could have enough time to brake to a halt.

Such alert systems already exist in parts of Japan, Mexico, Taiwan and Turkey where the main users are businesses such as railway companies, power plants and manufacturers.

But that's not the case in the United States — except for a handful of schools, firehouses and airports

“If the capital

... were Los Angeles, we would have had an early warning system a long time ago.”

TOM HEATON
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that use commercially available, battery-powered seismic gadgets that warn a limited region.

This summer, the U.S. Geological Survey is cautiously taking another look at early warning, beginning with a three-year test to gauge how well three experimental systems around California would work in the real world.

Scientists will gather data without broadcasting alerts to residents or businesses. While a working system is still years and tens of millions of dollars away, many see the pilot project as a first step toward catching up with the rest of the world.



Japanese companies are already employing early warning systems for earthquakes.

Many existing global networks sprang from killer quakes, and some scientists fear it would take a catastrophe to jolt the U.S. into action.

“If the capital of the United States were Los Angeles, we would

have had an early warning system a long time ago,” said Tom Heaton, professor of earthquake engineering at the California Institute of Technology and developer of one of the test systems.

It's not the first time the idea has surfaced in the United States. A decade ago, while Southern California was upgrading its seismic monitoring stations following the deadly 1994 Northridge quake, some scientists had high hopes the U.S. would develop its own system. But liability issues and fears of false alarms hampered progress. Finally, federal funding ran out.

Early warning systems can't predict quakes. Instead, a sprawling network of sensors near the epicenter estimates a temblor's size once the ground ruptures and sounds an alarm before shaking starts by exploiting the lag time it takes for different seismic waves to travel to the surface.

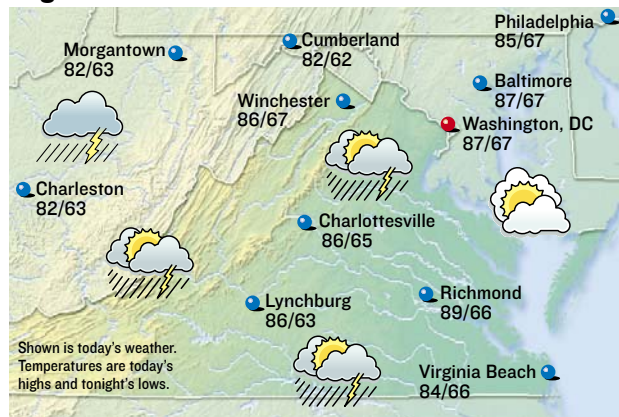
According to some estimates, communities radiating miles from the deadly San Andreas fault — which cuts through most of California and caused San Francisco's disastrous 1906 quake — could receive up to 60 seconds of warning. Skeptics contend seconds are hardly enough time to make a real difference and say there's no evidence that existing systems have saved significant lives.

“When people think of early warning, they think they'll get time to do something useful before shaking starts,” said David Wald of the USGS National Earthquake Information Center in Colorado. “But in reality, you don't get a lot of time.” ALICIA CHANG (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
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Regional Weather



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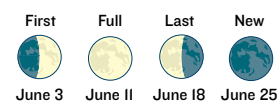
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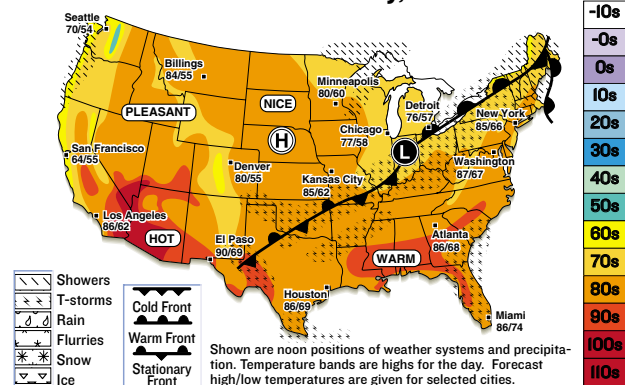
D.C. Metro: Today, partly sunny, warm, humid, mostly afternoon showers, thunderstorms. High 87. Wind south-southwest 7-14 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	5:45 a.m.
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National Weather for Thursday, June 1



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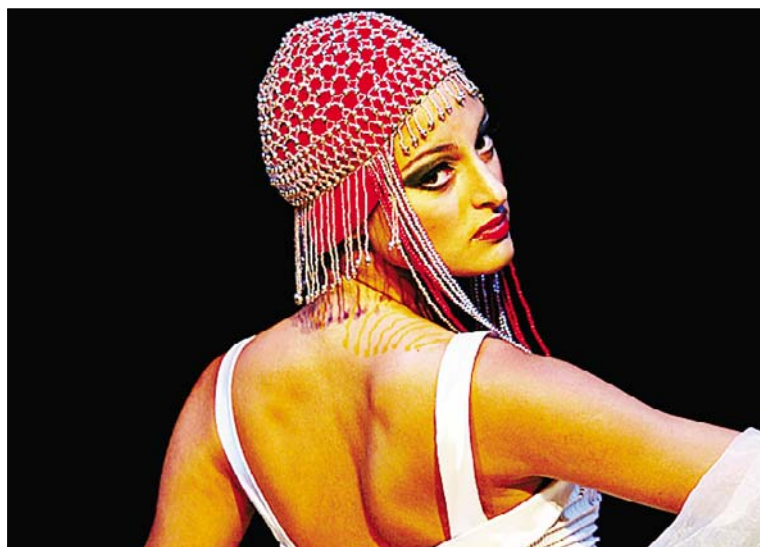
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Dallas	85/67/t	89/67/pc
Denver	80/55/t	89/57/s
Honolulu	86/72/s	85/73/pc
Los Angeles	86/62/pc	86/62/pc
Miami	86/74/t	88/73/t
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World Cities

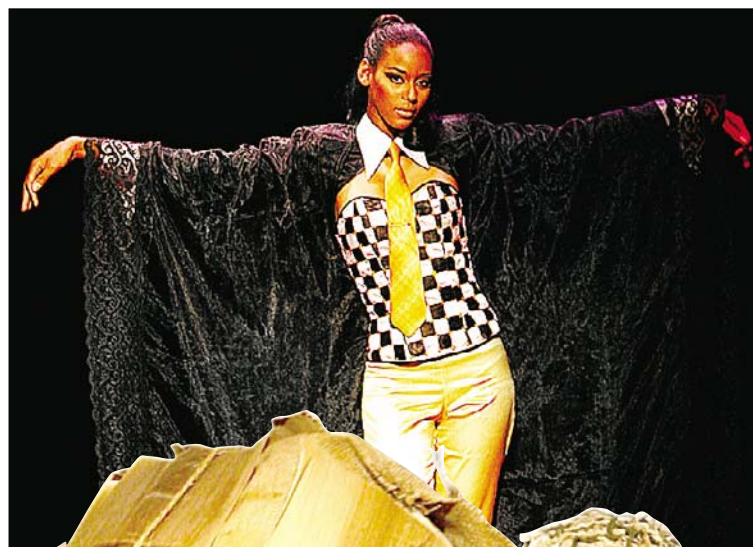
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Calgary	79/58/c	75/48/pc
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Geneva	54/44/c	59/39/pc
Moscow	66/44/pc	67/47/pc
Rome	70/56/c	66/46/sh
Sydney	59/50/pc	59/48/sh
Tokyo	81/64/s	79/63/pc

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Styles

LOOK
out

Cuban designer Piedad Subirats presented a work called "La Gloria," left, while Jesus Frias designed an outfit called "La Cohiba," based on the famous label.



JAVIER GALEANO/AP

Havana Heat

Cuban style turns over a new leaf

Cuban models twirled turquoise ribbons and flaunted papier-mache tops Wednesday in a fashion show that paid homage to the art behind Cuba's long tobacco tradition.

Designs inspired by Cuban cigar labels ranged from earthy to extravagant, seductive to serene in the "Art and Fashion" show, which aimed to blur the line between the two.

"This is the art of dressing, the portable art," said Jesus Frias, a designer and an organizer of the event held in a cozy theater inside Havana's National Museum of Fine Arts.

The models acted and danced on stage as they showed off the designs, each spending several minutes in the spotlight accompanied by opera, rock and traditional Cuban music.

Some models looked as if they had stepped out of the cigar label being shown on a big screen, such

as a woman wearing Frias' design of a black-and-white checkered shirt and mustard-yellow pants mimicking the famous Cohiba label.

Some connections were more symbolic, like the man who appeared on stage as an oversized insect wearing black platform boots and flapping enormous metallic arms. The design, by Otto Chaviano, represented ancient traditions and the presence of indigenous Caribbean people in tobacco lithographs.

"This isn't about tobacco as a product, it's about the history," said show director Rafael Mendez Gonzalez.

Other designs were quirky — like Michel Mirabal's, inspired by the H. Upman brand. A model showing off Mirabal's costume sported a cup and saucer on her head and a large, pregnant belly — complete with a sewed-on belly button — under her

extravagant gown.

Patched bohemian dresses and elegant flapper styles were also present, as was an elaborate jester outfit in the form of Ignacio Carmona's colorful crocheted jumpsuit with mirrors and bells.

"This provides hope that art and fashion can coexist," Mendez said. "It also tries to keep alive other Cuban traditions, of our tailors, artisans and makeup artists."

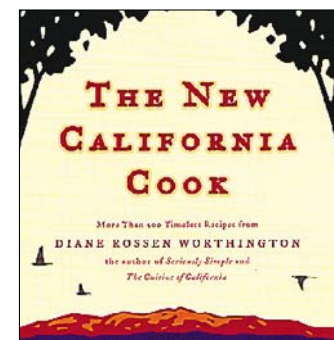
The show was sponsored by the U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, or UNESCO, as part of a weeklong series of events in Havana honoring cultural diversity.

VANESSA ARRINGTON (AP)

A model presents "San Cristobal de la Habana" from Cuban designer Alicia Nunez in a fashion show celebrating the history of tobacco in Cuba.



Books



Tastes Like Flakiness!

Sure, California has its share of celebrity chefs, all sustainable this and organic that. A new edition of **THE NEW CALIFORNIA COOK** by Diane Rossen Worthington (\$23, Chronicle), helps you incorporate the state's agri-philosophy into your cooking. The recipes are for dishes that look simple but actually take dozens of ingredients to make; the skill level ranges from basic pasta to making your own sausage. The teeny font means you'll be making dinner with your face three inches from the book. KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)

Magazines



Cold Off the Presses

Did anyone ask Martha Stewart for a younger, more-fashion-minded version of her eponymous mag? Well, that's what her fresh-on-the-newsstands **BLUEPRINT** aims to be: a recipe, clothing and decorating bible for thirty-somethings. From the first page, the glossy seemed a tad dull and behind the times. A baby bathtub as a flower planter — seen that. Tai chi — done that. The fashion section on sexy dresses for work was particularly asinine. Still, it's a slick-looking thing prettily repackaging rather ordinary info. "Real Simple" should watch its back. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

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Questioning Our Safety

CRIME STATISTICS | Rep. **STEVE KING** has said that if you analyze the statistics, Iraq's civilian death rate is actually lower than the murder rate in Washington, D.C. "My wife lives part of her life in Washington, D.C., especially when I'm there," he told radio host Monica Crowley. "She's far more at risk as a civilian in Washington, D.C. than an average civilian in Iraq."

SPARKLEPONY.BLOGSPOT.COM, who is skeptical of how the Iowa Republican is breaking down the numbers, says: "But, really, all we need to do is use King as a test subject. I'm assuming that he has wandered around D.C. a bit since he was elected, so that part of the experiment is done. Now, let's set

him down in the middle of Fallujah so that he can see for himself how 'safe' it is." What do you think about King's statement? Let us know at COMMENTS@READEXPRESS.COM.

MICHAEL GRASS (EXPRESS)

SPORTS | Our resident sports guru, **MATT SWENSON**, had some advice for D.C. sports teams: Stay out of Miami: "Nothing good happens there if you're affiliated with one of our professional sports teams. Redskins safety Sean Taylor will eventually go on trial for assault charges, but probably not before the case is delayed at least seven more times. Nationals General Manager (for now) **JIM BOWDEN** got pulled over for DUI there. And now Wizards



MICHAEL GRASS/EXPRESS

An alleyway between Willard and U streets NW is full of spiral staircases.

All-Star point guard **GILBERT ARENAS** was arrested Saturday night for disobeying police."

Luckily, he writes, "the Redskins only play the Dolphins once every four years, and fortunately for the Nationals, it looks like the Marlins won't be in Miami next season. It's

a big country — take advantage of it. Columbus, Ohio, is lovely this time of year."

URBAN WALKS | We recently trekked nearly 14 miles across D.C. photographing our favorite alleyways. Among the highlights: an alley on **CAPITOL HILL** in Northeast bounded by Constitution Avenue and A Street between 6th and 7th streets that featured a number of old small homes that faced out into an interior court and another between Willard and U streets NW, home to an unusual number of spiral staircases.

Check out **FREE RIDE** to see photos and a map of where we went. Drop us a line at COMMENTS@READEXPRESS.COM if you have any favorite alleys we missed. M.G.

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Who do you think will be found first?

- 8% Jimmy Hoffa
- 20% Osama bin Laden
- 14% Amelia Earhart
- 58% Waldo

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"German sausage flavor? You better believe it. I haven't tried 'em yet but I have high hopes."

D.C. BLOGGER NEWLEY PURNELL, BLOGGING AT NEWLEY.COM, IS TRAVELING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND SENDS A DISPATCH ABOUT COMING ACROSS GERMAN SAUSAGE-FLAVORED POTATO CHIPS HE DISCOVERED AT A GROCERY STORE, A SNACK FOOD FOR THE WORLD CUP BEING HELD IN GERMANY.

Sorry, It's 'N-A-D-I-R'

"Oh, cruel irony. Adit Malhotra, [Memphis, Tenn.'s] representative in the Scripps National Spelling Bee was knocked out of the competition Wednesday for failing to correctly spell the word "nadir." The irony being that nadir means the lowest point."

BLAKE FONTENAY OF THE MEMPHIS COMMERCIAL APPEAL, BLOGGING AT BLOGS.COMMERCIALAPPEAL.COM/BLAKE, NOTES THE WORD THAT ELIMINATED A NATIONAL SPELLING BEE CONTESTANT.

Don't Forget Hockey

"I honestly don't care who wins the Sabres-Hurricanes playoff series, as long as the winner ... falls to Edmonton."

DCSPORTSCHICK.BLOGSPOT.COM SORT OF CARES ABOUT THE STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS.



Looming Threats

"I suppose that quantum mechanically speaking it's possible that terrorists are going to attack Manhattan, Kansas. The probability, however, is vanishingly small. The likelihood that something will happen in Manhattan, N.Y. (not to mention here in D.C.) is disproportionately larger ..."

BLOG.ALTHIPPO.COM ON THE HOMELAND SECURITY BUDGET FOR D.C. AND NEW YORK BEING SLASHED TO HELP OTHER CITIES.

End of an Era at 'Today'

"I hope CBS has enough sense to let her use her 50-year-old-but-still-fabulous legs to lure in unsuspecting viewers. In any event, my morning will be a little less perky from now on."

COOPERLOWENTHAL.BLOGSPOT.COM SAYS GOODBYE TO KATIE COURIC, WHO LEFT NBC'S "TODAY" SHOW YESTERDAY. COURIC WILL RESURFACE AT CBS NEWS.



Live Online

Immigration

Author **MICHELE WUCKER** was online Tuesday at washingtonpost.com/liveonline to discuss her new book, "Lockout," which examines the immigration debate.

I have read that uneducated immigrants to the U.S. contribute more than they take in services and education in about 20 years, while their children are net contributors far sooner. How would you frame your argument that the net result is economic growth to Californians that pay for many services for undocumented populations before they are established enough to be net economic contributors?

In general, over the course of their lifetimes, immigrants contribute more in taxes than they take out. When they are young, they are more likely to consume more public services since they also are more likely to have children. Many of the studies on immigrants and taxes, however, do not measure the taxes paid by businesses that would not exist if they did not have those immigrant workers at all. Finally, public services like education are as much an investment as an expenditure, so in calculating their total cost you need to look at the return you get over time from the result of that education.

What is your opinion about the language issue? Can the U.S. ever have English as its official language, or will we continue to have a bilingual society until the mass of Hispanic immigrants push our nation to a Spanish-only nation?

English as the most important language of the country is already a fact, as most immigrants will tell you. However, skills in additional languages are an economic asset. Almost every job I've ever had I got because I could speak another language. What we need are more resources for language classes, especially on-site at businesses. There are huge waiting lists for classes, and many immigrants have a hard time getting to class when they are working two or more jobs.

→ Today on Live Online

10 A.M.: Pediatrician and education specialist Paul Yellin will offer advice on summer learning for children.

11 A.M.: Carolyn Robinowitz, M.D., fields questions about mental illness, including about warning signs and treatment.



TAKE CHANEL WITH YOUR FIRST-ROUND PICK. That's right, it's time to start thinking about your fantasy draft. No, not your fantasy football team — that's at least a few months away. We're talking, of course, about your fantasy fashion team (fantasyfashionleague.com). Where will Dior fall on your pre-rankings?

Bizarro | Dan Piraro

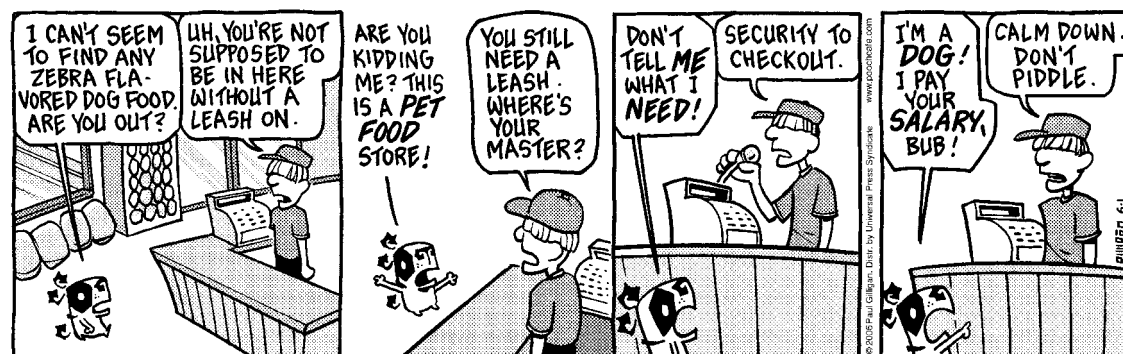


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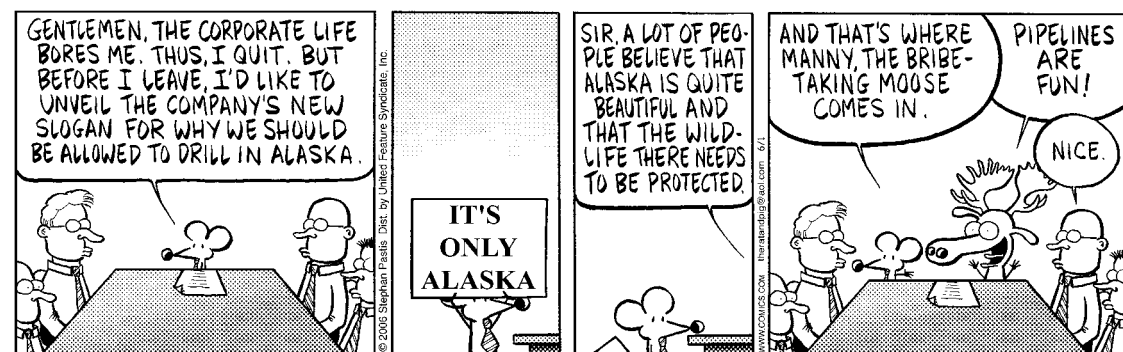


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Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You must be thoughtful and circumspect all through the day if you wish to navigate an emotional minefield successfully. Avoid gut reactions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You mustn't wait for opportunities to come to you as a matter of course; get up and go after what you want in a direct, aggressive manner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do something for those who have done so much for you in the recent past. Don't let this opportunity pass you by.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Luck and will-power will join forces in no uncertain terms, and you should experience something memorable as a result.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Much of what you've come to believe about someone else in the recent past will be put to the test. You may have to change your mind.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) What appeared to be a simple and straightforward project on paper is becoming

far more complex than you had imagined. Adjust your strategy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You'll know the moment that something important finally works out for you — and one particular personal endeavor may never be the same.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Are you really ready to face that challenge? You've prepared, but you may be missing one important piece of information. Double-check.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Either you or a good friend is going to have to make a sacrifice, for the sake of the other. Perhaps you can both reach a compromise.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Get in touch with someone you have worked closely with, and you may be able to get something new and exciting started.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may find yourself immersed in an emotional situation that presents few solutions. You must be clever, sympathetic and cautious.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You may have reason to be a little more self-protective than usual. Though dangers may be fleeting, they may also be serious.

Letters

Where Is Haditha Coverage?

WHEN I PICKED UP WEDNESDAY'S Express, I was fully expecting to find a front-page article about the continuing, unfolding events related to the Haditha massacre. This is probably the biggest story

in the Iraq war today, and may well turn out to be a turning point in the war — both in Iraq and in the United States. However, to my surprise, it was not only not on the front page — it wasn't mentioned in the paper at all. I find that shocking and a gross error of editorial judgment.

—KEITH MARTIN
Washington, D.C.

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Today in History

1813 The commander of the U.S. frigate Chesapeake, Capt. James Lawrence, said, "Don't give up the ship" during a losing battle with a British frigate.

1926 Actress Marilyn Monroe was born in Los Angeles.

1943 A civilian flight from Lisbon to London was shot down by the Germans during World War II, killing all aboard, including actor Leslie Howard.

1958 Charles de Gaulle became premier of France.



Blonde bombshell Marilyn Monroe would have been 80 years old today.

1977 the Soviet Union formally charged Jewish human rights activist Anatoly Shcharansky with treason.

1980 Cable News Network made its debut.

LOOK out People



"Oh Chris, you smell so has-been-y."

WHY?

The Stink of Lost Fame Makes Him Intoxicating

"My Fair Brady" stars **ADRIANNE CURRY** (of "America's Next Top Model") and **CHRISTOPHER KNIGHT** (of "The Brady Bunch") wed Monday night, People magazine reported. The 23-year-old and 48-year-old met on "The Surreal Life," in which they both starred. (EXPRESS)

NOT AILING

Then She Stood Up and Threw Larry to the Ground

ELIZABETH TAYLOR on Tuesday dismissed tabloid reports that she was being treated for Alzheimer's disease



or was gravely ill. The actress, who uses a wheelchair because of back problems, was asked about the reports during "Larry King Live." "Oh come on, do I look like I'm dying?" the 74-year-old asked King. "Do I look like or sound like I have Alzheimer's?" (AP)



LOCK UP YOUR MEN

'Difficult' Actress Now Roaming L.A.

MICHELLE RODRIGUEZ was released from a Los Angeles County jail due to overcrowding after serving less than a day of a 60-day sentence for violating probation. The former "Lost" star still must serve 30 days of community service and remain on probation until June 2009. "Our prosecutors are not happy about it, but that is the sad reality of our overcrowded jails," said a spokeswoman for the city attorney's office. (AP)

AWARDS

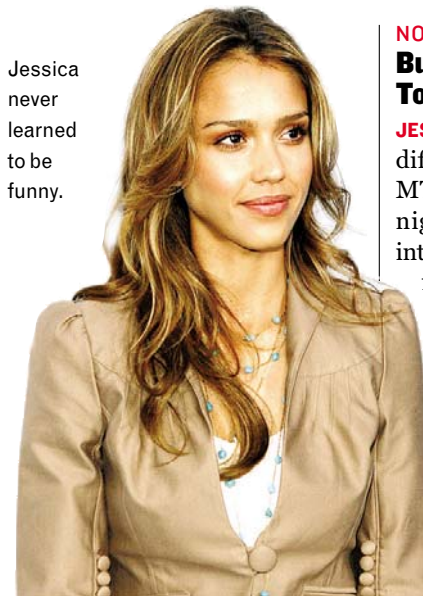
He's Wired. He's a Vegetarian. He's Prince

PRINCE will be honored with a lifetime achievement award at this year's Webby online awards for his use of the Internet to distribute music and connect with audiences. In a statement Wednesday, Tiffany Shlain, founder of the awards, described Prince as a "musical genius" and "a visionary, who recognized early on that



the Web would completely change how we experience music." The 47-year-old was the first major artist to release an entire album, 1997's "Crystal Ball," exclusively on the Web, and "long before MySpace and iTunes, Prince used the Web as a new way to distribute music, premiere videos and build his relationship with his fans." The awards ceremony will take place June 12 at Cipriani Wall Street in Manhattan. (AP)

Jessica never learned to be funny.



NO NEED

But She Doesn't Have To Be Funny — She's Pretty

JESSICA ALBA hopes to show fans a different side when she hosts the MTV Movie Awards on Saturday night. The 25-year-old actress intends to be funny. Alba will perform parodies of the year's big films. Aside from hosting, she's also nominated for three golden popcorn trophies — sexiest performance for "Sin City" and best hero and best on-screen team for "Fantastic Four." "[The show] just allows me to have a little bit of input in what I'm doing and show a goofier side," she said. (AP)

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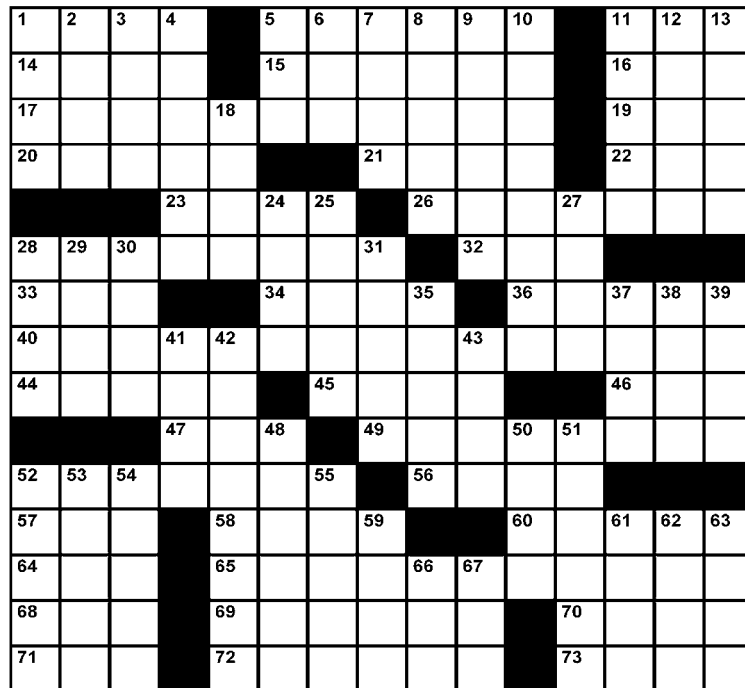
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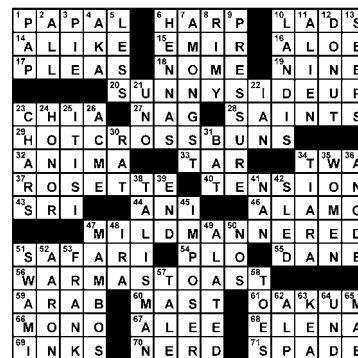
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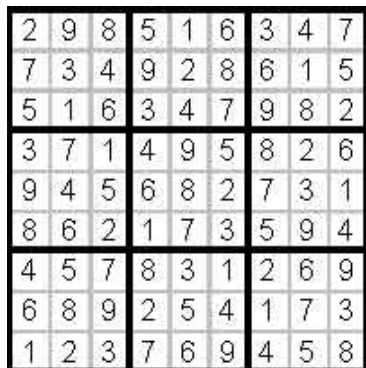


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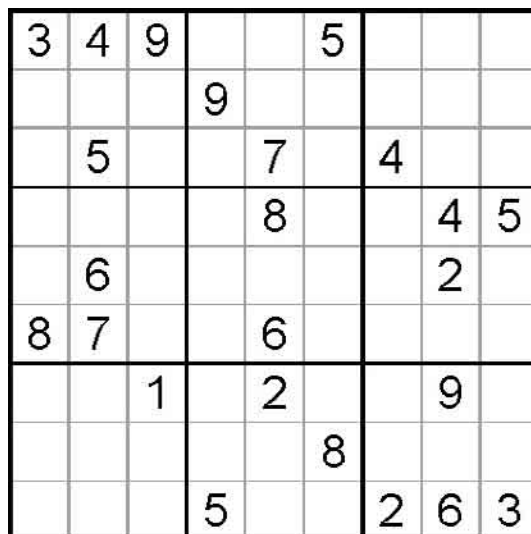
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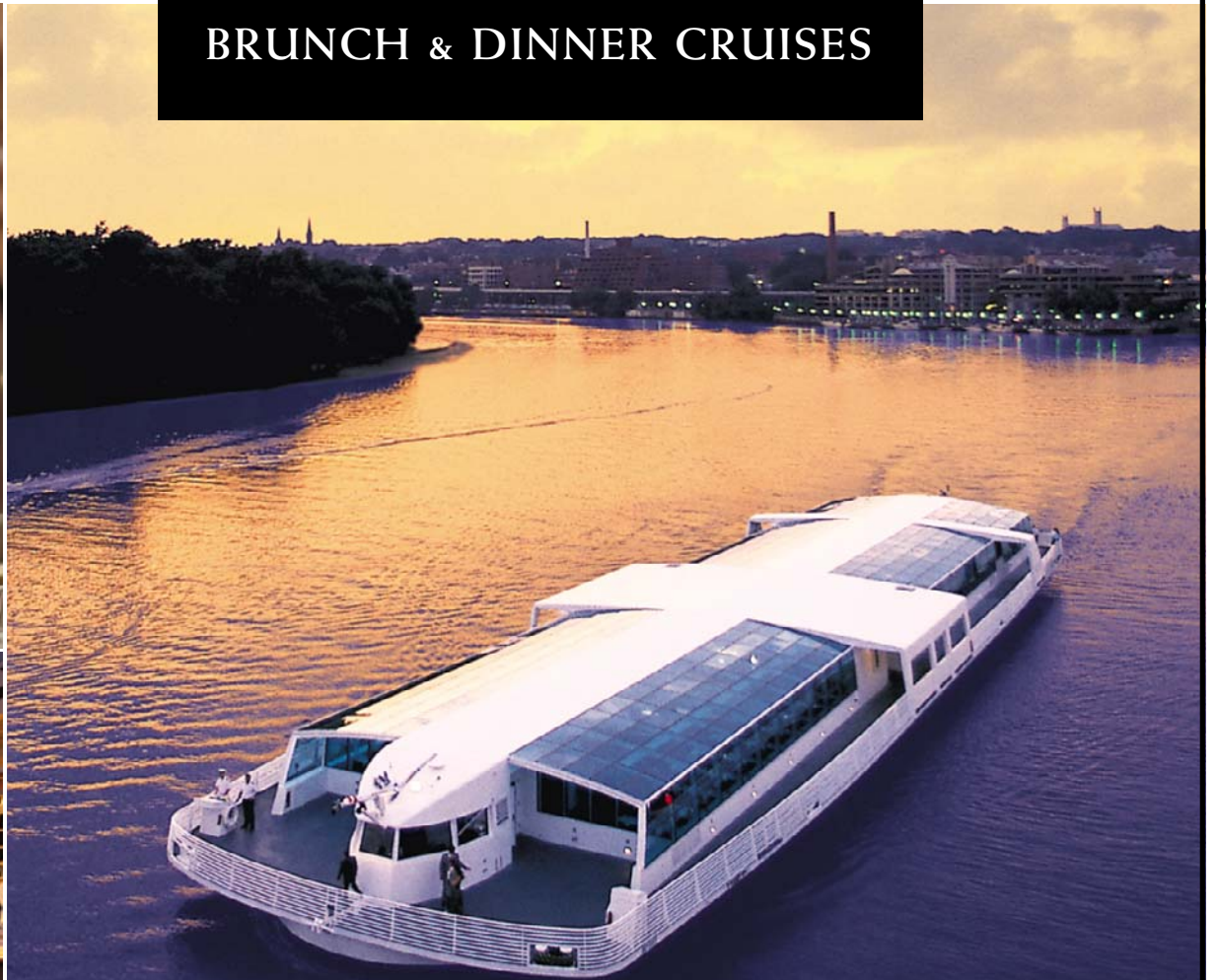
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[on the]spot

✱ **NAME:** Jay and Mark Duplass
GIG: Makers of the indie comedy
"The Puffy Chair"

WHEN FILMMAKERS discuss their influences, they usually toss around names like Kubrick, Scorsese, Welles, Wilder and Hitchcock. And while it is likely that the Duplass brothers, the men behind the refreshingly sweet and endearing low-budget (\$10,000!) indie flick "The Puffy Chair," would find the works of those directors worthwhile, their shared influences are a bit different. They are fans of, basically, anything that was on HBO between 1978 and 1986.

You're not serious?

MARK: That really is the core of our storytelling, things like "Romancing the Stone," "National Lampoon's Vacation," "Back to the Future" and "The Karate Kid." We love Hollywood storytelling. I think in

the indie community, Hollywood gets just knocked and knocked and knocked over and over again. Our films tend to have an indie aesthetic, but a really basic, at least we hope, solid, standard storytelling.

A movie like "X-Men 3" might spend \$10,000 on a 10-second scene; you made a whole movie for that. Is that what lured Universal Studios into giving you a contract?

JAY: In terms of industry response, people have been really excited just by the nature of [our] ethic. I think people can envision us easily fitting into the Hollywood system and bringing our style to it and not having to completely change everything that we do to make a Hollywood movie.

How would this movie had been different if you had, let's say, a budget of \$5 million to work with?



THE BROTHERS GRIN: For only \$10,000 Mark and Jay Duplass made a real movie.

MARK: Honestly, we talk about stuff like this. We would have paid everybody really, really well and then what we probably would have done is release the movie ourselves and use that money to do it. Or maybe we would have just spent \$10,000 and made 25 of them.

You cast your own parents to play the characters' parents. Why did you decide to keep it in the family?

JAY: We just go for really realistic stuff and a lot of older actors are

used to sort of playing on stage and playing up to the camera. The odds of finding somebody who can play totally comfortable and natural and not fake anything, and someone who looks close enough to look like Mark's dad was a really hard find. Plus, we don't really like doing casting calls. After two or three, we were like, "Mom and dad, you need to fly up and do this."

Will success split up the brotherhood or will you two continue to

"I think people can envision us easily fitting into the Hollywood system ..."

work together?

JAY: No, it's too scary and painful otherwise.

With this success, there's a chance the film could wind up on HBO itself one day, influencing another generation of would-be filmmakers.

MARK: I hadn't even thought of that. You just gave me chills. If we could get ourselves on HBO at 2:30 in the morning on a Tuesday night, I'm a success. SCOTT ROSENBERG (EXPRESS)

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Bad things happen to rotten people in 'The Glory of Living'

STAGE | Rebecca Gilman's "The Glory of Living" can't really be considered a story about the loss of innocence. Lisa, the teen at the play's center, never had it to begin with.

Staged at Warehouse by the Didactic Theatre, the play begins with 15-year-old Lisa (Casie Platt) bringing men to her prostitute mother in their mobile home. While her mom loudly attends to business, Lisa watches TV with a second man, Clint (Clay Steakley), a predatory thief who charms her out of her Deep South trailer park.

Flash forward a few years: The pair, parents of twins who live with



HARD-KNOCK LIFE: Casie Platt's and Clay Steakley's characters don't meet cute and don't live happily ever after in "Glory."

Clint's mother, live from motel to motel as they commit robberies. They up the ante in their newest scam, in which Lisa lures young runaway girls into her car so Clint can rape and abuse them.

Lisa is plagued with guilt and

makes anonymous calls to the police, telling them where they can find the bodies.

The pair is eventually caught, and the nature of Lisa's involvement is revealed. But per Gilman, Lisa isn't evil so much as empty,

never knowing more than neglect and betrayal. Cheery stuff.

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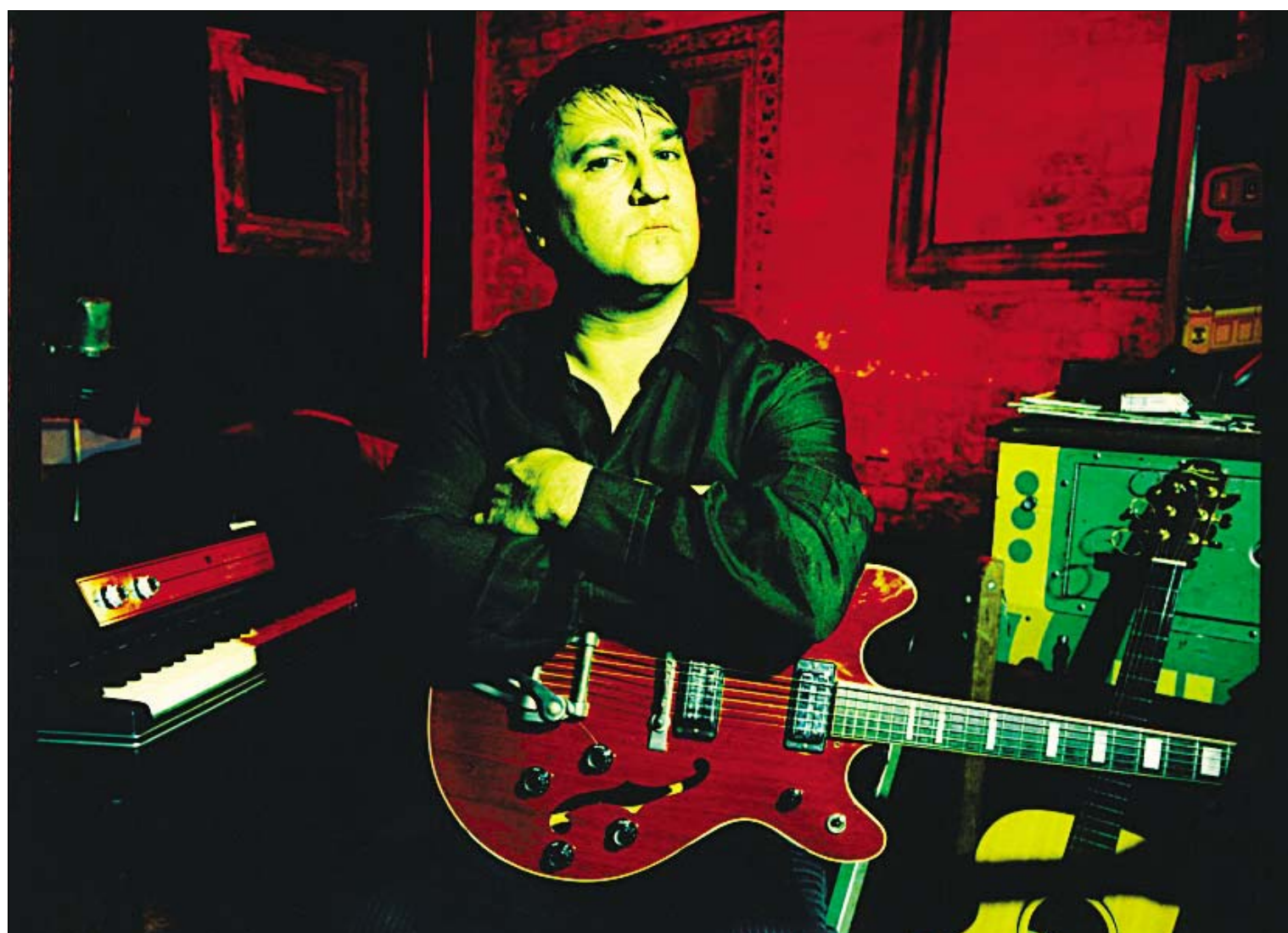
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DAY TRIPPER: Greg Dulli had a way with decadence when he headed up the Afghan Whigs, but a new perspective with the Twilight Singers hasn't dulled his edge.

Mean and Sober

Greg Dulli Whigged out, cleaned up and founded a new band

MUSIC | Like some kind of rock 'n' roll St. Augustine, Greg Dulli's lyrics always seems to cry out, "Lord, give me chastity and temperance — but not yet."

The mastermind of the Twilight Singers knows whereof he sings. His larger-than-life persona is built on 20 years of rock hedonism — including 15 as leader of alt-rock darlings the Afghan Whigs. And on his ownership of two hip L.A. bars. So temperance might threaten the bottom line.

But before he began record-

ing the Twilight Singers' latest, "Powder Burns," Dulli got clean from years of substance abuse. "I enjoyed being present for the entire making of the record," said Dulli, "from writing the songs to being there. I sing better, though I play about the same. I can look back and say I played some crazy good stuff when I was [messed] up."

Dulli always had a gift for writing lyrics that look addled on paper seem like gospel when set to soaring, soulful, hyperbolic guitar anthems. Whoring, heartbreak and wanton drug cravings never sounded so glorious.

But fixing his own damage proved good practice for a bigger disaster to come. "Powder Burns" was recorded in New Orleans in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. The studio was powered by generators. Why stick it out?

"Honestly, it was spite," Dulli said. "I was so disgusted by how the local and federal government

handled that situation that I wanted to put my thumb to the opposition. It was the worst physical damage I have ever seen in my life. The trees drowned, there were no birds, no animals. The first week I just helped people move stuff out of destroyed homes, and chainsawed downed trees. It was an extremely surreal situation."

So longtime listeners probably shouldn't expect sobriety to produce a happy, joyful noise from Dulli.

"Outside of Stevie Wonder and De La Soul — and maybe Paul McCartney — the happy song market is tight. It's true that it's harder to write comedy than drama. Which does not speak well for the human condition. Raffi is pretty good too, I'm sure. But you know, offstage he's probably this mean drunk. You're not lying to me, Raffi," Dulli laughed, "you're lying to yourself."

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STILLS SEARCHING: The Stills are rock magpies, picking up shiny bits of style from other bands and creating a sound that, despite charges to the contrary, is unique.

Everything We're Not

Montreal rockers the Stills return with an ambitious new album

MUSIC | There's no love lost between David Hamelin and the online scribes who lumped his band the

Stills in with a sound and a scene they weren't part of.

"Journalism these days spreads like f--kin' weed in a field. One person says one thing and people won't take the time to investigate, just because there's so much going on and everybody's completely inun-

dated with the Internet," the Stills' leader complained. "Everybody just Googles something, reads some review that some kid wrote in his basement. All of a sudden, everybody just keeps copying all sorts of things."

And so it was that the Montreal

band, which was based in New York City for all of two months in 2002, got labeled as a rip-off of Interpol, the poor-man's Joy Division, when what the Stills' full-length 2003 debut really delivered was Coldplay for boys.

Let the record stand, however,

that Hamelin never heard that much of either the '80s or Chris Martin & Co. in the Stills, who headline the 9:30 Club on Saturday. "Radiohead was definitely something we were into when we were making 'Logic Will Break Your Heart,'" Hamelin said. "For my generation, they were our Beatles."

In their quest to be the one "-ills"-named band anyone cares about three years later, the Stills have broadened their listening and warmed up their sonic palette with some classic-rock colors. The Band informed the epic twin-keyboard intro of "In the Beginning," the first track on the new "Without Feathers." A doo wop-style 6/8 beat underpins "Halo the Harpoons." Then the '70s-style stereo guitars swoop in.

But not everything Hamelin had in heavy rotation came into the studio with him. "Without Feathers" sounds nothing like Paul Robeson, for example. "We're just trying to become more and more ourselves," Hamelin said. "This is a step in that direction for us." **GLENN DIXON**

→ 9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; with *Rogue Wave*, Sat., \$15; 800-955-5566. (U.S.-Cardozo)

Wading Into Darkness

'Overlord' takes a grainy look at the nightmare of D-Day

FILM | After the advance screening of the 1975 film "Overlord," a woman complained that sections of the black-and-white film were so blown-out she couldn't see what was happening.

Sorry, lady: The high contrast and graininess is exactly what director Stuart Cooper and cinematographer John Alcott wanted.

Nearly 30 percent of their fictional film about a sensitive British soldier on his way to D-Day is comprised of striking archival footage. For the new footage, Cooper and Alcott (the latter worked frequently with Stanley Kubrick) used 1930s German lenses and shot in a 1940s style in order to make their film blend seamlessly with combat footage. The result is an experimental



A DARK-ADAPTED EYE: A British soldier's war experience folds in on itself.

docu-drama that blurs the line between the new and old stock so skillfully that Alcott says he can't always tell them apart.

"Overlord," named for the Allies' code word for the June 6, 1944, invasion of Normandy, was never released in the U.S., and it barely screened at all when it opened 36 years ago. But its legend has grown over time, and now a new 35mm print is making its way to art houses.

Cooper will introduce the movie and do a Q&A session on its opening night. Before "Overlord," Roger Smither, from the Imperial War Museum Film and Photograph Archives in London, will present combat footage and amateur color film of D-Day. **CHRISTOPHER PORTER**

→ AFI Silver Theatre, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; Fri., 7:30 p.m. for the premiere, \$9.25; 301-495-6700. (Silver Spring)

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COLD SHOULDERS: It's so hot outside the air itself seems to be sweating. What a perfect opportunity cool down with a viewing of "Wondrous Cold: An Antarctic Journey," at the National Museum of Natural History, detailing photographer Joan Myers' time in a polar research facility.

Which Breakup?

Jennifer Aniston's onscreen rift is easier than her real-life one

MOVING ON | When Jennifer Aniston got a call from her agent about a romantic comedy called "The Break-Up," she thought it must be someone's idea of a joke. After all, the 37-year-old actress was going through a well-publicized divorce from actor Brad Pitt.

"Then I sort of stopped and thought to myself, things happens for a reason," Aniston said. "And there has to be a reason that this is coming

to me right at this moment."

"The Break-Up" stars Aniston and funnyman Vince Vaughn as a dysfunctional couple. The story begins at a point most romantic comedies avoid: the end of the relationship.

Aniston said starring in "The Break-Up" was cathartic. "If this had come to me at any other time in my life, I don't know if I would have been able to really get it," she said. "It was kind of fun in the irony of it all."

The irony was not lost on director Peyton Reed. "That was in no way why we cast her," he insisted. "We cast her because she's Jennifer Aniston and she's amazing."



ARE THEY OR AREN'T THEY? In "The Break-Up," Vince Vaughn and Jennifer Aniston play exes; in real life Aniston plays coy.

Aniston plays Brooke, an art gallery manager with whom Vaughn's character, Gary, falls in love at a Chicago Cubs game. Two years later, Brooke and Gary are tired of each other's quirks. She's a perfectionist. He's laid-back and sloppy. An ugly argument leads to a breakup, yet neither Brooke nor Gary is willing to abandon their beautiful lakefront

condo. So they defiantly stay put, driving each other crazy.

Aniston and Vaughn have been linked romantically, though neither will detail the status of their relationship. Marriage rumors have circulated for months now, but Aniston and Vaughn aren't acknowledging anything other than a friendship.

Vaughn doesn't take the media

scrutiny personally. "They're doing their job and trying to sell stuff," he said. "It's not like it makes me mad or I can't stand it or anything."

"What's hard about the post-breakup is when you're trying to just remember how to be alone," said Aniston. "It's key to get back to yourself." ANGELA DAWSON (VNU ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WIRE)

Take 10

THE WASHINGTON POST'S FILM CRITICS TACKLE THIS WEEK'S BOX-OFFICE TOP 10

1 X-Men: The Last Stand

The superheroes look great, and the script carries whiffs of adolescent anxiety, but director Brett Ratner shows little finesse. ANN HORNADAY

2 The Da Vinci Code

The most controversial thriller of the year turns out to be about as exciting as watching your parents play Sudoku. ANN HORNADAY

3 Over the Hedge

It's certainly funny, and on the money, satirizing humans as boars, who practically oink into their cellphones as they drive to the supermarket for more and more soda and Pringles. DESSON THOMSON

4 Mission: Impossible III

Director J.J. Abrams keeps the action clicking along, and Tom Cruise is at his scowling/smiling best. ANN HORNADAY

5 Poseidon

The movie isn't cute, funny, warm, nice, inspirational or uplifting. It's



ROWR: Wolverine and Jean Grey misunderstand the meaning of "Last Stand."

about the incredible labor of survival in a world turned sociopathic in an instant. STEPHEN HUNTER

6 RV

Robin Williams peppers his screen time with trademark jokes in this family road-trip comedy. DESSON THOMSON

7 See No Evil

The first feature out of the gate for World Wrestling Entertainment productions is a candidate for worst movie of any year. DESSON THOMSON

8 Just My Luck

Lindsay Lohan plays an inordinate-

ly luck young New Yorker who swaps fates with an unlucky young man, and loses everything in a matter of minutes. Wahhh! STEPHEN HUNTER

9 United 93

Those who find meaning and catharsis by watching fetishistically accurate reenactments on the big screen will be well rewarded by Paul Greengrass' taut thriller. ANN HORNADAY

10 An American Haunting

This movie about poltergeists and people screaming in 19th-century costumes wants to exude a scary B-movie ethos but fails. DESSON THOMSON

Indies & Arties

'Harriet Craig'

The Mary Pickford Theater opens with a new series, "Treasures From the Film Vaults: Don't Touch That Vase! The True Desperate Housewives."

"Harriet Craig" stars Joan Crawford as a domineering, materialistic household goddess in this 1950 melodrama.

→ *Library of Congress, Mary Pickford Theater, 101 Independence Ave. SE; Fri., 7 p.m., free with reservations; 202-707-5677.*

At AFI Silver

The AFI Lifetime Achievement award goes to Sean Connery, and the Scottish Fox gets a retrospective. This weekend it's "The Name of the Rose," that other religio-mystical quest movie; the coal-miner drama "The Molly McQuires"; and the grand tale of imperialist folly, "The Man Who Would Be King." Meanwhile, Robert Altman: An American Original marches on with "M*A*S*H" and "California Split."

→ *AFI Silver, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; \$6.75-\$9.50; 301-495-6700, afi.com/silver. (Silver Spring)*

'Pelican Man'

The Children's Film program kicks off



Funny, he doesn't look like a pelican, but "Pelican Man" finds human life hard.

with a whimsical live-action movie from Finland. "Pelican Man" tells the story of a creature who goes about his life among humans, none of whom notice that he's a big-billed beastie—except for one observant little boy.

→ *National Gallery of Art, 600 Constitution Ave. NW; June 3, 7 & 14, 10:30 a.m.; June 4, 11:30 a.m.; 202-842-6799. (Archives-Navy Memorial)*

'Sketches of Frank Gehry'

Director Sydney Pollack wades into documentary territory with a feature-length look at the life and work of his friend the renowned architect by exploring the development of a building from idea to model to mass.

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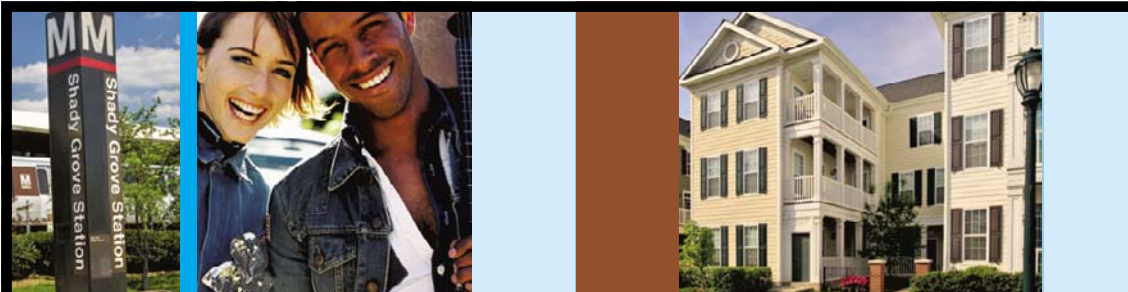
FESTIVALS | In its third year, the Washington Early Music Festival has gone from being a monthlong event run by volunteers to being — well, it's still that. But now it has partnered with the National Gallery of Art, the Folger Consort and the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, three bigwigs who have recognized the little engine that could. "It indicates that, rather than a sense of competition, there is a sense of community, of a desire to work together to promote the performance of music that is far too rarely heard," said festival co-founder Constance Whiteside, a well-respected harpist.

This year's festival concentrates on early Italian music, from the medieval to the baroque, in a variety of locations. For programming, Whiteside said, "We look for

a diverse offering, ranging from solo instrumental, to very small ensemble, vocal plus instrumental, all vocal choirs, all instrumental ensembles, small period orchestras, and, to our great delight this year, two operas." One of those operas is Cavalli and Busenello's 1641 work "La Didone," performed by Ignoti Dei Opera, which Whiteside described as "a very rare opportunity to see a young opera company's vision of a rarely performed and very early opera."

A full list of events and locations can be found at earlymusicdc.org, and seasoned music goers will certainly be happy. But Whiteside said everyone should feel welcome: "We have an inclusive philosophy; our goal is to reach out to the entire community, not only those who are seasoned early-music lovers, but also those who have not yet given it a try." CHRISTOPHER PORTER

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MUSEUMS | When gallerist Edith Halpert got serious about advancing Charles Sheeler's career as a painter, she encouraged him to downplay the importance of his camera work. It was 1931, and photography still hadn't attained much status as an art medium.

It was a tough move for Sheeler (1883-1965) to make. His precisionist paintings of factories, trains, skyscrapers and silos are among the purest paeans ever sung to American industrial prowess. And they all had their genesis in photography. A modest yet involving show at the National Gallery, "Charles Sheeler: Across Media," removes the drapery from the camera and restores the artist's photographs and his brief foray into cinema to their rightful place alongside his paintings and drawings.

Sheeler's work always reproduces well, but when seen in the flesh, it reveals an artist whose eye and mind were sharper than his hand was sure. Ironically enough, here was a talent made for the camera, where all the draftsmanship is left to light itself.

You also can't help but wonder what would have happened had Sheeler pursued the trail blazed by "Manhatta," his 1920 film col-



NO PLACE LIKE HOME: Like most of his work, Sheeler's "Skyscrapers," from 1922, treats the urban landscape as tenderly as the Impressionists treated the rural one.

laboration with photographer Paul Strand. The title cards are dated — overripe and inappropriately romantic — but then a little Walt Whitman always goes a long, long way. The scenes of a day in the life of Manhattan remain a revelation, opening up, as if it were only yester-

day, a time when noise, smoke and a cinder in the eye were the welcome price of progress. **GLENN DIXON**

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FAMILY | Started as a way to express various forms of black culture across a mass theatrical medium, the UniverSoul Circus is back with a production that promises to be its most ambitious yet. For its 13th season, the circus features soulful center-ring ice skaters, a new ringmaster and the return of Zeke, the ringmaster's sidekick. Founder Cedric Walker discussed how he puts the soul in the circus.

What void is UniverSoul filling?

Theater is a reflection of yourself and it's at the basis of any live-entertainment venue. Ringling Brothers, for instance, didn't reflect black culture, and black culture is international and global just like the circus is. Also, something like this was needed to reflect not only black culture but urban culture.

What's the feel under the big top?

It's an energetic, fast-paced, funky, urban style and that theme is weaved in and out of the circus art. We go from violinist to a lion tamer, from a ballerina to trapeze flyers. Everything is so interrelated in the arts, and while we are kind of a departure from your traditional



VICIOUS CYCLES: The UniverSoul Circus prides itself on changing its lineup of acts.

circus, the whole thing is framed in the traditional circus.

What audience is drawn to your style?

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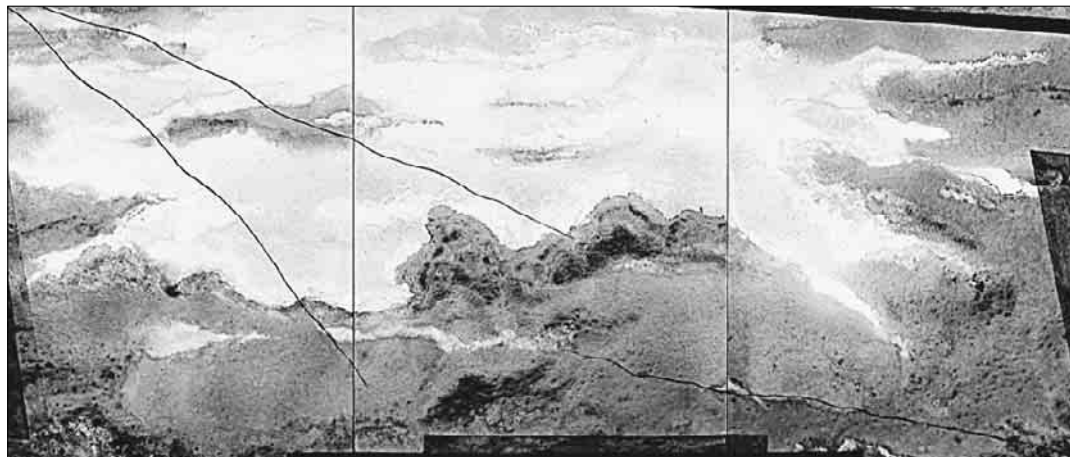
Anything special this year?

We change the talent every year, we go and we find different acts from around the world. We change ringmasters, we change themes, like we open with ice skating this year, last

year it was a ballerina and a violinist. People come to our show and their mouths are just open; we capture your imagination with the acts we find. And that's something that we pride ourselves on, we believe the circus is to wow; it's about the bold and the unbelievable and the possibilities. **DARONA WILLIAMS (EXPRESS)**

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Although written at the height of the civil-rights movement, some of Herman's lyrics seem a trifle, well, confederate. (Fans may be listening for what's been pruned in Eric Schaeffer's staging.) But the charm of this fierce female drag queen in action never grows dated. **GLENN DIXON**

→ Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; through July 2, \$25-\$90; 202-467-4600. (Foggy Bottom-GWU)

The Scene

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→ THURSDAY

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Arlington Draft House: The Bobby Thompson Band, 8 p.m., \$5

Bangkok Blues: GHZ, 7:30 p.m., \$6.

Blues Alley: Count Basie Orchestra, 8 & 10 p.m., \$35.

Club Amazon: Mad House Thursdays 10 p.m., \$10, ladies free before 11 p.m.

Crossroads: Live Reggae Happy Hour, Zone One, Jason Steele, Majestic, 5 p.m., free.

DC9: The Lucky Bastards, Satan's Boys and Girls Club, The Omega Band, 9 p.m., free.

Ellipse Art Center: Electric Possible, experimental music, 7 p.m., free.

Five: Latin party with DJs Chris, Manny Fresh & Ty-One, 10 p.m., \$5.

Iota: Feel, Lanky, 9 p.m., \$10.

Jammin' Java: Adelyn, The Churchills, Harriet Street, 7:30 p.m., \$10.

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Jaxx: Forwardhead, Bobaflex, Cadillac Rock Box, Elisium, Beyond the Static, 6:15 p.m., \$11.
Kennedy Center: National Symphony Orchestra: Kurt Masur, a Beethoven program, 1:30 p.m., \$20-\$79.
Love: T.I., 6 p.m., \$20.
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Platinum: Hot 99.5's Chris Styles, 9 p.m., free with pass from platinumclubdc.com, \$10 before 11 p.m., \$15 after.
State Theatre: The Legwarmers, 9 p.m., \$14.
Twins Jazz: The Marty Nau Quartet, Charlie Young, 9 & 11 p.m., \$15.
Velvet Lounge: Justin Jones & The Driving Rain, John Bustine, John Francis, 9 p.m., \$10.
Warehouse Next Door: Danke, Blame Game, Echo is Your Love, Yoni Gordon, 8:30 p.m., \$7.
Zanzibar: D.C. Carnival Jump Off, 9 p.m., \$15.

→ SATURDAY

Apex: Liquid Ladies, DJ Randy White, 9 p.m., \$8.
Bangkok Blues: BlueStone, 8:30 p.m., \$7.
Birchmere: Sweet Honey in the Rock, 7:30 p.m., \$45.
Black Cat: Deborah Bond & Third Logic, Bilal Salaam, 9:30 p.m., \$12. WAG, 9:30 p.m., \$5 (backstage).
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Jaxx: Vizen, Enuff Znuff, Evick, 8 Track Jones, Supermercado, 7:30 p.m., \$20.
Kennedy Center: National Symphony Orchestra: Kurt Masur (conductor/Beethoven), 8 p.m., \$20-\$79.

Lisner: Strings: Zinda Hoon Tour, 7:30 p.m., \$35-\$100.

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State Theatre: Joe Recca stand-up, 8:30 p.m., \$13.

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U-Turn: The Commie Pinkos, Brain Damaged, Vexed Youth, more, 9 p.m., \$5.

Velvet Lounge: Enoch, Kevin Brown, 9 p.m., \$10.

Warehouse Next Door: Tragedy, Fighting Dogs, Direct Control, 8:30 p.m., \$7.

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OVER THE HEDGE (PG) DIG (1150 1230 100 220 250 320 450 520 540) 720 750 940 1010

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AKEELAH AND THE BEE (PG) DIG (1105 150 445) 730

THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) - ID REQ'D (110 350) 700 940

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JUST MY LUCK (PG-13) DIG (1100)

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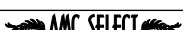
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AKEELAH AND THE BEE (PG) 1:30, 4:15, 10:00

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POSEIDON (PG13) 12:10, 2:45, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10



THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) 12:15, 2:35, 5:00, 7:20, 9:45

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SEE NO EVIL (R) 2:25, 4:55, 7:25, 9:50

JUST MY LUCK (PG13) 2:00, 4:45

POSEIDON (PG13) 1:55, 4:35, 7:05, 8:05, 9:40

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RV (PG) 1:40, 7:35



AKEELAH AND THE BEE (PG) 4:05, 9:55

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JUST MY LUCK (PG13) 12:10, 5:10, 10:10

POSEIDON (PG13) 1:45, 4:05, 6:30, 9:00

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RV (PG) 2:40, 7:40

STICK IT (PG13) 1:50, 4:20

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JUST MY LUCK (PG13) 12:45, 3:00, 5:25, 7:30

POSEIDON (PG13) 10:15 PM

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RV (PG) 12:50, 3:10, 5:30, 7:55, 10:25



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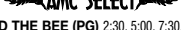
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POSEIDON (PG13) 2:00, 5:30, 8:05, 10:45

MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE III (PG13) 2:20, 5:35, 7:20, 8:20, 10:10, 10:50

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) 1:05, 3:10, 5:15



AKEELAH AND THE BEE (PG) 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00

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KEEPING UP WITH THE STEINS (PG13) 1:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:20

WAH-WAH (R) 2:00, 7:40

ART SCHOOL CONFIDENTIAL (R) 1:40, 4:20, 7:50, 10:10

THE LOST CITY (R) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:00

WATER (PG13) 1:00, 3:40, 7:30, 9:50

FRIENDS WITH MONEY (R) 1:30, 3:30, 7:30, 9:30

KINKY BOOTS (PG13) 4:40, 9:40

THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) 1:50, 4:30, 7:00, 9:10

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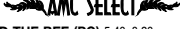
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POSEIDON (PG13) 5:30, 7:50

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SILENT HILL (R) 5:15, 8:15

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) 7:20



AKEELAH AND THE BEE (PG) 5:40, 8:20

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SEE NO EVIL (R) 3:45, 5:45, 8:10, 10:15

POSEIDON (PG13) 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:50

INSIDE MAN (R) 3:40, 7:05, 9:55

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OVER THE HEDGE (PG) ✓ 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

RV (PG) 4:30, 7:15, 9:45

LOEWS WISCONSIN AVE. 6

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POSEIDON (PG13) 2:15, 4:45, 7:10

INSIDE MAN (R) 1:10, 4:05, 6:50

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SOMERSAULT (NR-NOT RATED) 2:45, 7:30



KEEPING UP WITH THE STEINS (PG13) 3:00, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00

WAH-WAH (R) 2:10, 4:50, 7:10, 9:40

WATER (PG13) 2:00, 2:20, 4:30, 5:00, 7:00, 7:40, 9:30

KINKY BOOTS (PG13) 5:10

LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5

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A Krupin Returns to Save His Good Name and Good Deli

Fans of the deli formerly known as **KRUPIN'S** will be happy to know that the new owners of the Tenleytown restaurant — currently known as **K'S NEW YORK DELI** — will be getting someone from the Krupin clan back. According to The Washington Post's Reliable Source column, Morty Krupin, younger brother of former deli owner Mel Krupin, has been brought on as general manager of the restaurant, which will be renamed Morty's. K's New York Deli was bought in April by Eric Eun and Jared Kim, who brought Morty Krupin out of retirement in hopes to give the place a little bit of that Krupin's flair again — pretty good deli food and fresh insults on tap. And the matzo ball soup and whitefish salad are hard to beat.

MICHAEL GRASS (EXPRESS)

→ 4620 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-686-2218. (Tenleytown-AU)

FRESH TOQUE

Willard InterContinental Taps New Executive Chef

The Willard InterContinental Hotel has named Daniel Kenney as its new executive chef. He'll be overseeing all of the culinary activities at the hotel, including those in the esteemed **WILLARD ROOM**, and supervising the launch of the hotel's Parisian-style bistro, slated to open this fall. Kenney



THE ONCE AND FUTURE KRUPIN'S: New owners bought the deli once known as Krupin's; for flavor, Morty Krupin has been brought in as general manager.

comes to Washington's most storied hotel from the Langham Hotel in Boston, where he was most recently executive chef. (MG)

→ 14th Street NW & Pennsylvania Avenue. (Metro Center)

GOT CRABS?

Creatures From the Deep Swarm Into Sushi-Ko

Listen up: There is no such thing as a whale crab — it's just the term fishmongers have given to giant soft-shell crabs with a limited season. By any name they're delicious. The soft-shelled critters, dusted with potato starch and flash-fried, have arrived at **SUSHI-KO**, as

have Alaska spot prawns, which are sweet, delicate and firm in texture. While the whale crabs, averaging \$13.50 each, are readily available, the spot prawns are flown in every Friday, making them a weekend-only treat. (MG)

→ 2309 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-4187.

THEY HAVE A SEAT

A Chance to Sit Down to a Meal in Columbia Heights

You hear new and veteran residents complain: For all of the new condos that have been going up in Columbia Heights, the area is still lacking sit-down restaurants in the vicinity of the Metrorail station at 14th and Irving streets NW. But that is slowly changing. For better or worse, a national chain — **RUBY TUESDAY'S** — will be opening its doors in July in the Tivoli Square building next to the Giant supermarket. Joining Ruby Tuesday's will be a coffee shop, **KUDO BEANS** — which has locations in Bethesda, New York and Seoul, South Korea — and a new restaurant called **RUMBEROS**, an off-shoot of Rumba Cafe in Adams Morgan. (MG)

→ 14th Street NW at Park Road. (Columbia Heights)



CHAIN REACTION: Tivoli Square, right, will soon get new sit-down eating options.

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FRY ME TO THE MOON: Fans of Colorado Kitchen may have to wait to get a table for its popular weekend brunch, but chef Gillian Clark's doughnuts are worth it.

LIVE ONLINE

Ask Tom

What are some good places to find tasty South Indian cooking in the D.C. area, or restaurants devoted to South Indian cooking? As much as my friends love butter chicken and naan, I'd like to introduce them to idlis, dosas and sambar outside of my own kitchen. I'm looking for spicy and authentic.

Glad to hear of your addiction! For South Indian fare, try Nirvana on K Street NW in Washington, Woodlands in Fairfax City and Langley Park, and Amma Vegetarian Kitchen in Vienna.

→ *Nirvana, 1810 K St. NW; 202-223-5043. (Farragut West)*

→ *Woodlands Fairfax, 4078 Jermentown Road, Fairfax; 703-385-1996.*

→ *Woodlands Langley Park, 8046 New Hampshire Ave., Langley Park; 301-434-4202.*

→ *Amma Vegetarian Kitchen, 344-A Maple Ave. E, Vienna; 703-938-5328.*

What do you think of Mark & Orlando's? The place must have passed the six-month mark now and I would love to hear your take on it. Honestly, I haven't returned since I reviewed the place. But my memo-

ries — of delicious soups, very good crab cakes, hearty stuffed pork and friendly service — would make me eager to return.

→ *2020 P St. NW; 202-223-8463. (Dupont Circle)*

I'm heading to Colorado Kitchen on Saturday for brunch. Are there any menu items I shouldn't miss? Also, I'm not sure if they take reservation; should we show up early to get a seat?

I'm a sucker for chef Gillian Clark's doughnuts myself. I can't predict your waiting time, but I'd encourage you to arrive earlier rather than later for brunch. The place is very popular.

→ *5515 Colorado Ave. NW; 202-545-8280.*

I just noticed Bobby Van's Grille on New York Avenue. Is this new? Is it decent?

I recently took my editor there for lunch. Let's just say, I think she doesn't want to join me for another visit there anytime soon. The food is very big and very bland. At least it matches the decor.

→ *1201 New York Ave. NW; 202-589-1504. (Metro Center)*

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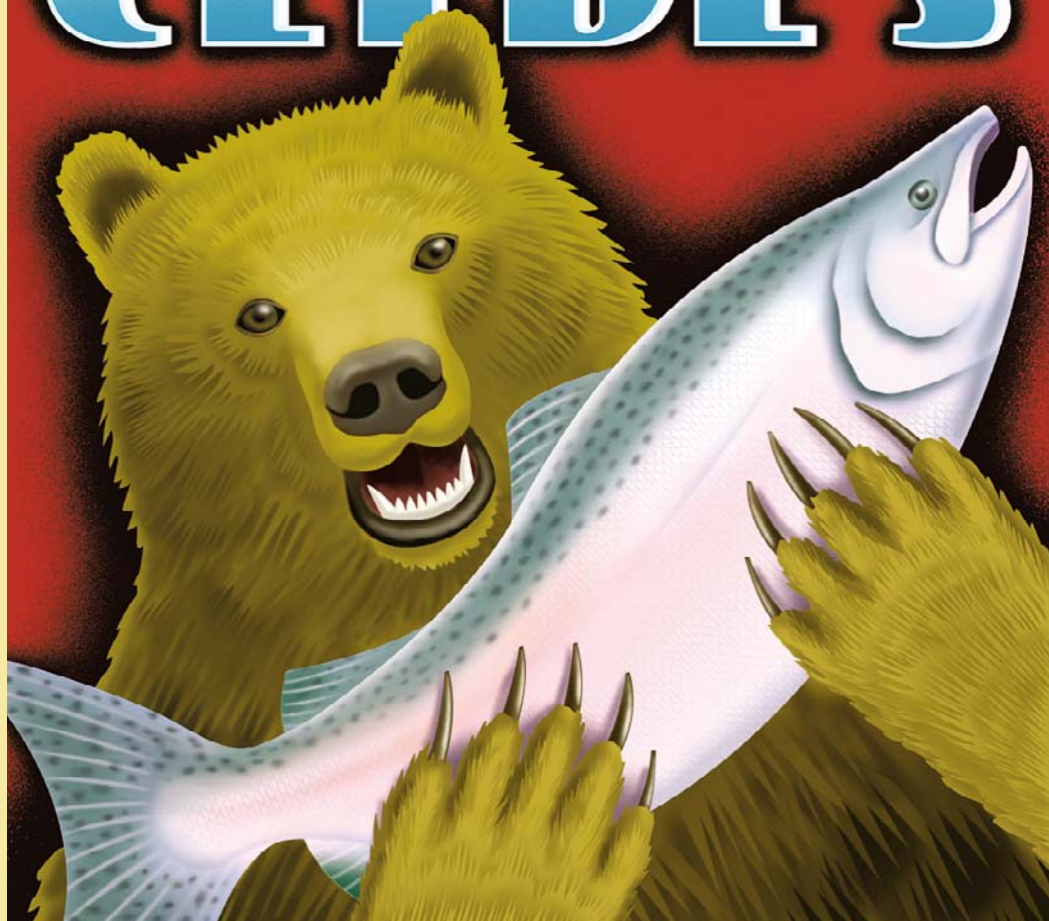
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Sight

American Art Museum: “Grant Wood’s Studio: Birthplace of American Gothic,” 160 works, including the highly recognizable painting, through June 11. 1661 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 202-633-1000.

Anne C. Fisher Gallery: “Mother,” a multi-faceted, multimedia exploration of motherhood, through June 9. 1054 31st St. NW; 202-625-7555.

Anne Loeb Bronfman Gallery: “Differ-

ent Nights: Interpretations of the Seder by Contemporary Artists,” through June 18. 16th and Q streets NW; 202-518-9400.

LAST CHANCE Arlington Arts Center: “Love, Loss and Longing: The Impact of U.S. Travel Policy on Cuban-American Families,” works of recently deceased photographer Nestor Hernandez Jr., through June 3. 3550 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-248-6800.

Conner Contemporary: Avish Khebrehzadeh’s video animation depicts never-ending swimmers, and her paintings of the relationship between humans and animals pose questions as to the nature of man, through June 17. 1730 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-588-8750.

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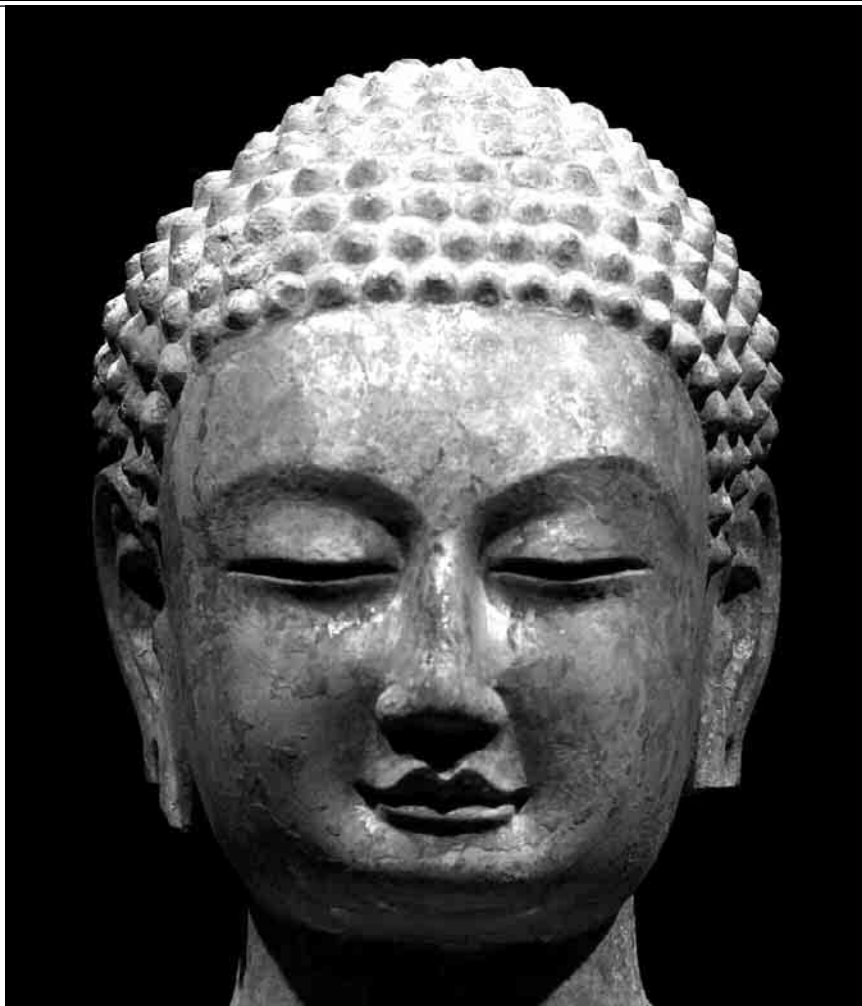
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Cultural Institute of Mexico: "Miguel Covarrubias, Genius of Mexico in the United States," Covarrubias was a muralist, anthropologist and an illustrator for many American publications and books. This exhibit features some of his groundbreaking caricatures, through July 7. 2829 16th St. NW; 202-728-1628.

Katzen Arts Center: "Recent Acquisitions of the Watkins and Katzen Collections," through June 18. "Makoto Fujimura: Water Flames and Zero Summer," large-scale abstractions. "Made in Oakland by Jim Melchert," ceramic tile installations, both through Aug. 20. 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW; 202-885-1300.

DAR Museum: "Obsolete, Odd and Absolutely Ooky Stuff from the DAR Museum Vaults," through Sept. 2. 1176 D. St. NW; 202-879-3241.

DC Arts Center: "Subdivisions," images exploring suburbia, through June 25. 2438 18th St. NW; 202-462-7833.

Ellipse Arts Center: "From the Junkyard to the Frontyard," artists use "trash" and "junk" to create art, through June 24. 4350 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington; 703-228-7710.

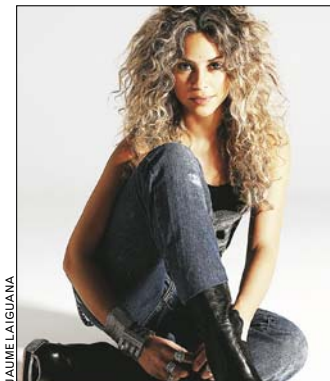
Flashpoint: "De Aqui al Paraiso," Ken Ashton's photos of urban environments around the world, through July 1. 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1310.

Folger: "Noyses, Sounds, and Sweet Aires," presents musical instruments used in early modern England, through Sept. 9. 201 East Capitol St. NE; 202-544-7077.

Foundry Gallery: "Sensuality: The Female Nude in Black and White Photography," four years of exploration of this subject by Michael Ian Goulding, opening reception June 2, through July 2. 1314 18th St. NW; 202-463-0203.

LAST CHANCE Fraser Gallery

Bethesda: "Compelled by Content II," glass sculptures that tell stories push the genre beyond crafts and into the fine arts, through June 4. 7700 E. Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-9651.



JAUME LAIGUANA

Hot Sounds:

Richard Harrington has the scoop on this summer's slate of concerts. | *Cover*

→ Also, Chakaia Booker's used-tire sculptures at the Museum of Women in the Arts; reviews of all the latest movies.

Freer Gallery of Art/Arthur M. Sackler Gallery: "History of History," photos of seascapes, dioramas, wax figures and other artifacts depict the rich history of Japan, through July 30. "Beyond Brushwork: Symbolism in Chinese Painting," through Nov. 26. Jefferson Drive & 12th Street SW; 202-633-4880.

G Fine Art: "Mine," Jeff Spaulding explores the terrain of discarded urban metal, through June 17. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-462-1601.

Gallery 10: "Works on Paper III, Celebration Venice," includes the works of over forty members of the Atelier Aperto graphics workshop, through June 17. 1519 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-232-3326.

Gallery Plan B: "Printmakers Group Exhibit," through July 9. 1530 14th St. NW; 202-234-2711.

LAST CHANCE Gateway/Heliport

Gallery: "Out of Your Frame," works by artists living with mental illness, including Ann Kipp and Elizabeth Henderson, through June 5. 8001 Kennett St., Suite 3, Silver Spring; 301-562-1400.

Greater Reston Arts Center: "Framed," J.T. Kirkland's work transforms wooden frames into the main attraction, as his countless hand-drilled holes create patterns that utilize the wood's natural markings, through June 16. 12001 Market St.,

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COURTESY G FINE ART

ANOTHER MAN'S MEDIUM: Jeff Spaulding's show, "Mine," at G Fine Art, refers to possession as well as the process of digging through urban refuse to create pieces with many associations and meanings. It's junk with insight.

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Suite 103, Reston; 703-471-9242.

Hemphill: Steven Cushner's paintings and works on paper, through June 17. "Always Find a Way," John Watson's new installation, a cross between our childhood tree house and today's beach homes on stilts, seems to be on the verge of toppling over, but don't worry, it's stable, through June 17. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-234-5601.

Hirshhorn Museum: Film clips show artist Oliver Herring bringing together diverse performers and utilizing everyday objects in performance art pieces, through July 2. "Directions," Jim Lambie uses vinyl tape to transform the museum's lobby into one giant, colorful painting, through Oct. 2. 7th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000.

International Visions: Paintings by Ron Walton and Hamid Kachmar, through June 17. 2629 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-234-5112.

Irvine Contemporary: "Selections and Celebrations," highlights from the museum usher in the re-opening of the gallery, "Summertime," Ju-Yeon Kim's paintings and works on paper are delicate and heavily influenced by her South Korean training, both through June 10. "The New Geometry," Charbel Ackermann literalizes the "Axis of Evil" metaphor and maps it onto multiple visual representations of the world, "The Monument2," an ancient Roman triumphal arch is redrawn from thousands of original barcodes, each encoded with text fragments and Ackermann's own writing, both through July 4.

1412 P St. NW; 202-332-8767.

The Jerusalem Fund Gallery: "Tarab: The Colors of Music," Arab artists offer their depiction of the Arabic term, which refers to the ecstasy and intensity of emotion one feels when experiencing music, through June 23. 2425 Virginia Ave. NW; 202-338-1958.

Library of Congress: "American Treasures," photos and artifacts of Pennsylvania Avenue's Willard Hotel, a getaway spot for a remarkable number of important Americans, from presidents to literary giants, through June 17. 101 Independence Ave. SE; 202-707-5000.

Kathleen Ewing Gallery: "30th Anniversary Exhibition," featuring the works of 24 Washington photographers, through July 22. 1609 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-328-0955.

Meridian's Cafritz Galleries: "Prints and the Courtly World of Mozart," 35 prints from the 18th and 19th centuries, including portraits of Mozart as a child prodigy and as an accomplished composer and performer, opens June 3, through July 16. 1624 Crescent Pl. NW; 202-939-5568.

Marsha Matekya Gallery: "Rome Series," recent paintings by Kitty Klaidman, opens June 3, through July 8. 2012 R St. NW; 202-328-0088.

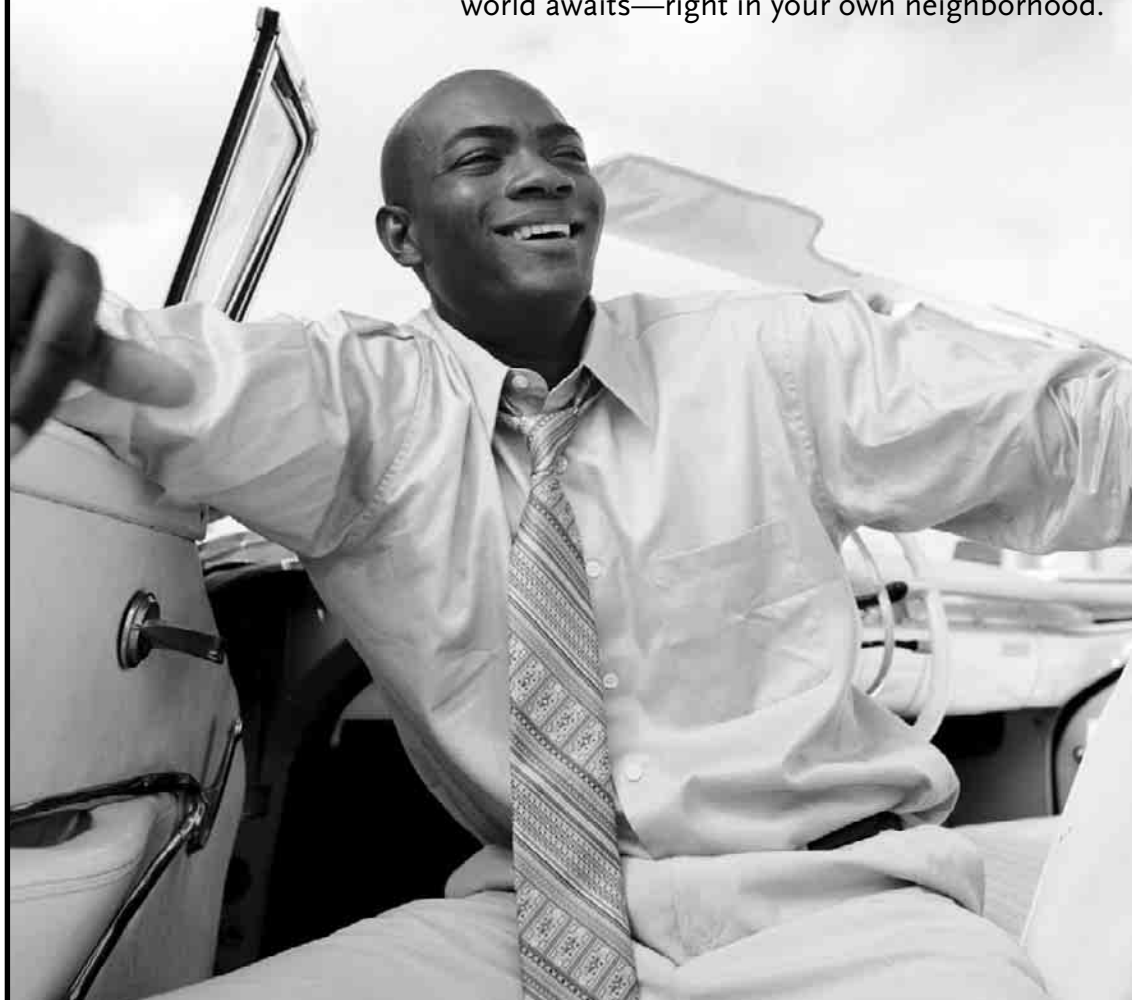
LAST CHANCE Multiple Exposures: "The Many Moods of White Sands," photographer Alan Sislen's work brings life to otherwise barren deserts. Grace Taylor's photos of her Tibetan travels, both through June 4. 105 N. Union Street #312, Alexandria; 703-638-2205.

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Museum: "The Green House: New Directions in Sustainable Architecture and Design," through June 3. "Jewish Washington: Scrapbook of an American Community," through July 4. "New Orleans — A Shared Space," six well-known Dutch and American architectural firms reveal their exciting designs for the rebuilding of New Orleans, through July 30. "Cityscapes Revealed," highlights from the museum's permanent collection, ongoing. 401 F St. NW; 202-272-2448.

National Gallery of Art: "Photographic Discoveries," 19th and early 20th century photographs by various artists show how the new medium developed into an art form, through July 30. "Across Media," Charles Sheeler's paintings, drawings, films and photos set the foundation for American modernism, through Aug. 27. "Master Drawings from the Woodner Collections," the museum's most prominent pieces from the private collection of Ian Woodner, including works by Da Vinci, Rembrandt, Degas and more, through Oct. 1. 600 Constitution Ave. NW; 202-289-3360.

National Geographic Society: The only known surviving pages of the Gospel of Judas, through July 9. "Castles and Crusades: A View in Miniature," two large model castles and a bazaar, with over 2,000 hand-painted figurines, provide a glimpse into the crusade-era, through Sept. 4. 17th & M streets NW; 202-857-7588.

National Library of Medicine: "Visible Proofs: Forensic Views of the Body," ongoing. 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda; 301-496-6308.

National Museum of African Art: "BIG/small," diverse historical pieces show the importance of size and scale in African art, through July 9. "African Gold," from the Glassell Collection, through Nov. 26. "First Look: The Walt Disney-Tishman African Art Collection," through Dec. 3. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000.

National Museum of American History: "Honky-Tonk," Henry Horenstein's photos of country musicians, through Sept. 5, other exhibitions ongoing. 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000.

National Museum of Natural History: "Frost: Life and Culture of the Sami people of Norway," through June 25. "Wondrous Cold: An Antarctic Journey," photographs by Joan Myers of daily life at McMurdo Station, Antarctica's primary research facility, through Sept. 4. "Lewis and Clark:



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The National Bicentennial," artifacts and other rare objects depict the various cultural encounters the two explorers had during their journey through America, through Sept. 11. 10th Street & Constitution Avenue; 202-633-1000.

LAST CHANCE National Museum of Women in the Arts: "Vistas and Visions," featuring landscape paintings from the museum's permanent collection, through July 9. Chakaia Booker uses car tires to create sculptures, through Sept. 4. 1250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000.

National Postal Museum: "Rarity Revealed: The Benjamin K. Miller Collection," called "the Holy Grail of stamp collections," Miller's includes the "One-Cent Z Grill," the rarest of U.S. stamps, through Oct. 1, 2007. 2 Massachusetts Ave. SE; 202-633-5555.

Phillips Collection: "The Renoir Returns," the museum's well-known French impressionist pieces come back to Dupont Circle, through July 30. 1600 21st St. NW; 202-387-2151.

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experimental drawings and objects by David Ruy and his graduate students at PennDesign, June 3 through June 10. 903 U St. NW; 202-232-4340.

Pyramid Atlantic Art Center: "Art from the Gulf: Reflections on Katrina," the work of dozens of Gulf Coast artists who explore the devastating impact the hurricane had on their communities and lives, through June 16. 8230 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring; 301-608-9101.

Roxanne's ARTiques: "Musical Legends: An Artist's Perspective," Barry Ian Bishop's black-and-white portraits of prominent African-American musicians, through June 11. 3426 9th St. NE; 202-526-7020.

Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, NVCC: "Affinity," Amy Lin's work features 35,000 colored pencil dots — hand drawn with precision, through June 10. 3001 North Beauregard St., Alexandria; 703-845-6165.

LAST CHANCE Spectrum Gallery: "New Works," Marie Straw's paintings and collages of figures and animals, through June 4. 1132 29th St. NW; 202-333-0954.

Strathmore: "Common Bond X," the works of 35 significant regional African-American artists, through July 15. 10701 Rockville Pike, Bethesda; 703-845-6229.

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SMARTY GUY, EH? If mainstream record labels aren't falling all over David Mead, that's because they're actively trying to destroy any display of originality and intelligence in pop music. It's true! But the accomplished singer-songwriter, having a CD-release party for "Tangerine" at Jammin' Java on Saturday, has shown he can do without the bigwigs.

Textile Museum: "Seldom Seen: Director's Choice From the Museum's Collections," through July 30. "Harpies, Mermaids and Tulips: Embroidery from Greek Islands and the Epirus Region," through Sept. 3. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441.

LAST CHANCE Torpedo Factory: "Fired Up," ceramic guild members depict the various ways they fire their pots. "The Many Moons of White Sands," photographs by Alan Sisen. "Beading Frenzy," Averill B. Shepps mini-show. "All-Media Membership Show: Black & White" members interpret the theme both literally and figuratively, all through June 4. "Mutual Inspirations," Carolyn Witschonke's etchings and encaustic paintings, through June 30. 105 North Union St., Alexandria; 703-838-4565.

LAST CHANCE Touchstone Gallery: "Interiors/Exteriors," Steve Alderton divides his paintings into confined still-lives and expressionistic landscapes. "Artistic Reflections," the Independent Artists Forum presents works by artists with diverse nationalities and artistic styles, both through June 4. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-2787.

LAST CHANCE U.S. Botanic Garden: "The Wilkes Expedition: Exploring our Roots," through June 4. "Crime-Solving Plants," demonstrates how plant scientists have cracked tough cases, through July 15. 100 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-225-8333.

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LAST CHANCE Washington D.C.

Convention Center: "Washington 2006 World Philatelic Expo," stamp auction, through June 3. 801 Mount Vernon Place NW; 202-249-3000.

Washington Printmakers Gallery:

"Sancti Insoliti," woodcuts and matrix castings by Kirk Waldroff, "Punctuation and Friends," intaglio prints by Victoria Vogl, both through June 25. 1732 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-332-7757.

LAST CHANCE Washington Works

on Paper: "Padre e Figli," Daniel Shay's papyrus and paper drawings and Ginevra Shay's photos, through June 3. 3420 9th St. NE; 202-526-4848.

LAST CHANCE Zenith Gallery:

"Ellipsis," paintings and abstract sculptures by Anne Marchand and Alan Binstock, through June 4. 413 7th St. NW; 202-783-2963.

Stage

Alice in Wonderland:

The Children's Theatre presents Lewis Carroll's classic children's tale, through June 11, \$8-\$10. Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road, Arlington; 703-548-1151, www.encorestage.org.

Assassins:

Signature Theatre takes a shot at the Stephen Sondheim musical about world leaders' worst enemies, through July 23, \$31. 3806 S. Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington; 703-218-6500, signature-theatre.org.

LAST CHANCE Body of Water:

A young woman visits a middle-aged couple — whose home is suddenly surrounded by water — and turns their world upside-down, through June 4, \$30-\$40. Round House Theatre, 4545 East-

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OPERA FOR THE COMMON MAN: The words "madcap fun" and "opera libretto" don't always go together. But Rossini's "L'Italiana in Algeri" is a gleeful blend of wacky brilliance and musical richness that's hard to find elsewhere, and the Washington National Opera stages this fabulous farce with great elan. It's at the Kennedy Center through Saturday.

West Highway, Bethesda; 240-644-1100, roundhousetheatre.org.

Caroline, or Change:

A rare musical from Tony Kushner, this drama is about race relations, family and the American urge for re-invention, through June 25, \$47-\$62. Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-332-3300, studiotheatre.org.

Crime and Punishment:

The Stanislav-

sky Theater Studio's original production based on the Dostoyevsky novel, through June 18, \$15-\$25. Montgomery College, Black Box Theater, Chicago & Philadelphia avenues, Takoma Park; 800-494-8497, sts-online.org.

The Elephant Man: Based largely on a true story, Bernard Pomerance chronicles the life of John Merrick, a deformed

man who is plucked from a London freak show and becomes a player in high society, through June 18, \$10. Olney Theatre Center, 2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney, Md.; 301-924-3400, olneytheatre.org.

LAST CHANCE Frozen: Set in contemporary Britain, the lives of a grieving mother, a hard-edged convict and an

American academic are woven together, exploring the nature of forgiveness and the possibility of hope, through June 4, \$25. The Studio Theatre Secondstage in the Milton Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-332-3300, studiotheatre.org.

The Glory of Living: The daughter of a prostitute and a car thief is forced to procure young runaways, but when these girls turn up dead, she is considered a prime suspect, through June 11, \$15-\$20. Warehouse Theater, 1021 7th St. NW; 202-249-0782, warehousetheater.com.

Guachos (Desclasados)/Wanderers

(Orphans): Desertion and orphanhood unite two people in this Argentinean play that fuses fantasy with reality, Spanish w/ English subtitles, through June 17, \$15-\$25. Gunston Art Center, 2700 S. Lang Street, Arlington; 202-882-6227, teatrodelaaluna.org.

The Hundred Dresses: Based on the book by Eleanor Estes, this play follows children during the Great Depression as they find delight in comics and torment at the hands of school-yard bullies, through June 11, \$10-\$15. Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Avenue, Bethesda; 301-280-1660, imaginationstage.org.

THIS WEEKEEND ONLY Idomeneo: A

concert version with dance of Mozart's first great opera, in Italian with English supertitles, June 2-3, \$25-\$45, \$7 for University of Maryland students with ID. Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, Route 193 and Stadium Drive (U-Md., College Park); 301-405-2787, www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

LAST CHANCE L'italiana in Algeri:

In this humorous opera starring Olga Borodina and Juan Diego Florez, a beautiful woman is left looking for her missing fiancé after she is shipwrecked near Algeria, through June 3, \$45-\$290. Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; 202-467-4600, kennedy-center.org.

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iday's last performance, one of jazz's most famous women sings her signature pieces and recounts anecdotes from her life, through June 4, \$50-\$69. Arena Stage, 1101 6th St. SW; 202-554-9066, arenastage.org.

A Murder, A Mystery & A Marriage:

In "A Mark Twain Musical Melodrama," based on a recently discovered short story by Mark Twain, Mary Gray must choose between her sweetheart and her family, but the discovery of a dastardly deed complicates her choice, through June 25, \$25-\$50. Round House Theatre, 4545 East-West Highway, Bethesda; 240-644-1100, www.roundhousetheatre.org.

The Monument: A doomed soldier is forced to make a horrible choice in this twisted morality play about responsibility and redemption, through June 18th, \$26. 1365 H St. NE; 800-494-8497, theatrealiance.com.

On the Verge, or the Geography of

Yearning: A comedy about three sisters who set off from 1888 and end up finding "artifacts" of the future's pop culture and politics, through June 11, \$49-\$68. Arena Stage, 1101 6th St. SW; 202-554-9066, arenastage.org.

LAST CHANCE Pericles:

Shakespeare Theater Company "Free for All" presents this seldom-staged Shakespeare play about a prince who falls in love with a princess, conceives a child and is then separated from his family after a storm at sea, through June 4, free when you get tickets from the Shakespeare Theatre Company, Carter Barron Amphitheatre or The Washington Post. Carter Barron Amphitheatre, 16th Street & Colorado Avenue NW; 202-426-0486, nps.gov/rocr/cbarron.

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Limbo: The New York-based dance company KDNy uses dance and original video to portray the movement from heartache and loss to the creation of heaven and home, June 3 and 4, \$15-\$20. Dance

Place, 3225 8th St. NE; 646-529-6412, kdnydance.com.

Someone Who'll Watch Over Me:

This play follows men from Ireland, England and America as they cope with captivity in a Beirut prison cell, through June 10, \$10. Capitol Hills Arts Workshop, 545 7th St. SE; 202-494-3776, catalysttheater.org.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Step Afrika!

This Washington-based performance dance company combines fast-paced, synchronized kicks and stomps with lyrical spoken word, through June 4, \$30; opening night, \$75. GALA Theatre-Tivoli, 3333 14th St. NW; 202-785-9727, stepafrika.org.

LAST CHANCE Wonders Never

Cease: This new comedy follows the triumphs and struggles of a local comedian-turned-magician-turned-mentalists, complete with sea monkeys, X-Ray goggles and all the other comic-book novelties you always wished would work, through June 4, \$20-\$25. National Conservatory of Dramatic Arts, 1556 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-7009, chartertheatre.org.

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